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Southampton County (over)

The Commonwealth of Virginia, to Edmund Tyler and
Sam Brown Sentences Justice of the peace for the County of Southampton
greeting, whereas Eliza Lawrence and Patsy his wife have by their
Certain Indenture of bargain and sale dated the 18th day of
January 1806 conveyed unto Mells Stratfield, of the County
of Southampton, the fee simple estate of and in one hundred and
ten acres of Land, now known as that wherein the said Patsy
cannot consequently travel to the Court of our said County & return
and the same therefore made give to you power to receive the Acknowledgment
which the said Patsy shall be willing to make
before you of the Conveyance aforesaid contained in the said
Indenture which is hereto annexed - and in so far as Command
you to go personally to the said Patsy and examine her
privately and apart from her husband, whether she hath
executed the said said Indenture and voluntarily without the pressure
fear or threats of her said husband, and whether she is willing the
said Indenture should be recorded in the County Court of Southampton
and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her oath
and acknowledgment of the said Indenture that you distinctly and
openly certify in writing under your hand and Seal returning to
us also this writ with the said Indenture annexed Attest
Samuel Clerk of our said Court at his Office the 18th day of
January 1806 and in the 3rd Year of the Commonwealth

Samuel Clerk

Agreeable to a Commission issued from the Clerk's Office of Southampton
County bearing date January 18th 1806 - to us direct the several
times on the within named Patsy Lawrence as Dowdell
in said County and she declared that she made the above Conveyance
freely and voluntarily without force or threats whatsoever and that
she is willing the same should be committed to record a Power under
our hand and Seal this 18 day of January 1806

Edmund Tyler
Sam Brown