

now living & now deceased & remains & remaind to all & singular the whole
right title interest claim & demand of them the said John Pledge & Lucy his
wife their heirs executors & assigns forever. To have & to hold the said bargain & con-
veyance to the said Elias Bracey his heirs and assigns forever & to the heirs
proper use benefit & behoof of him the said Elias Bracey forever and the
said John Pledge & Lucy his wife for themselves & their heirs the said parcels
of land with all the appurtenances above mentioned & every part thereof
against him their heirs & assigns all & every other person or persons whatsoever
the said John Pledge & Lucy his wife their heirs and assigns shall and will
warrant & forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said
John Pledge & Lucy his wife hath hereunto set their hands and seals
the day & year above written -

Elias Bracey & dolo

In the presence of

Sam. (adv. t.)

Sam. Hill

Chas. Gardner

John Pledge

John Pledge
Lucy Pledge
marks

Southampton County Va.

The Common Council of Virginia to Jacob Wick and Charles Briggs
do hereby granting whereas John Pledge since Lucy his wife heirs by their certain
Instrument of bargain and sale dated the 24th day of February 1804 conveyed
unto Elias Bracey of the County of Southampton the five several parcels of land
in 112 acres of land lying and being in the County of Southampton aforesaid, and
whereas the said Lucy Pledge cannot conveniently travel to the Court of our
said County to acknowledge the same, We do therefore give to you power to
receive the acknowledgments which the said Lucy shall be willing to make
before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Instrument which
is hereto annexed, And we recommend you to go personally to the said Lucy
and examine her privately and apart from her husband, whether she hath
consented the said said conveyance & voluntarily without the persuasion or threats
of her husband & whether she willing the said conveyance should be making
in the Court of our said County, and when you have examined her as aforesaid &
taken her acknowledgments of the same that you distinctly certify under your
hand & seal returning to us also this writ with the said Instrument
signed Witness Sam. Hill clerk of our said Court at the Office
the 24th of Feb^y 1804 & in 31st year of our foundation

Sam. Hill