

Virginia:

Southampton County (to wit,

The Commonwealth of Virginia to
 Benjamin Blunt and Henry Blunt Gentleman Justices of the
 peace for the County of Southampton greeting whereas David Newsum
 and Patsey his wife of the County aforesaid have by their last
 Indenture of bargain and sale bearing date the 19th day of
 October 1804 sold and conveyed unto Humphrey Drury Jr.
 the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in
 139 acres lying and being in the County of Southampton and
 whereas the said Patsey cannot conveniently travel to the Court
 of our said County to acknowledge the same therefore we do
 give ^{into} you power to receive the acknowledgement which the
 Patsey shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance
 aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed,
 and we do command you that you go personally to the said
 Patsey and examine her personally and apart from her husband
 whether she hath executed the said deed freely & voluntarily without
 the persuasion or threats of her ~~late~~ husband; and whether she is
 willing the said Indenture should be recorded in the court of our
 County and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken
 her acknowledgement of the same that you distinctly and openly
 certify us thereof under your hands and seals returning to us at
 this court with the said Indenture annexed. Witness I am
 John Hill Clerk of our said court at his office the 19th day of Aug
 1804 and in the 23 year of the Commonwealth —

John Hill Esq

Southampton County (Ses)

In Obedience to this Commission so directed we have personally
 waited on Mrs. Polly Newsum wife of David Newsum and
 her acknowledgement of the conveyance in the Indenture hereto annexed
 and examined the said Patsey Newsum privately and apart from her
 husband & she informed us that she had executed the said Indenture
 voluntarily without the persuasion or threats of her husband &
 that she is willing the said Indenture should be recorded in
 the court of our said County of Southampton given under our hands &
 seals this 19th day of December 1804

Benjamin Blunt
Henry Blunt