

river to lightwood post thence down the said river sixty yards to a small pine a corner standing in the river side, thence about a North east Direction to a lightwood post a corner thence sixty yards to the first station. To have and to hold the said bargain and promises with all the appertinances therunto belonging except one old house which the said Griffin is to move off unto him the said John Lee his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Shadrach Griffin and Nancy his wife for themselves their heirs &c will forever defend the said bargain and promises against the lawful claim of any or every person whatsoever unto him the said John Lee his heirs and assigns forever — In witness whereof we the said Shadrach Griffin and Nancy his wife have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals the day and year first above written signed sealed and Delivered in presence of

Hardy Cobb  
Jesse <sup>his</sup> Gardner  
Sally <sup>his</sup> Gardner

The words unto &c  
interlined before signed

Shadrach Griffin Esq  
Nancy <sup>her</sup> Griffin Esq  
mark

Southampton County to wit

The Commonwealth of Virginia to Barr Bowers and Jacob Darden Gentlemen justices of the peace for the County aforesaid whereas Shadrach Griffin and Nancy his wife have by their certain Indenture of bargain and Sale dated the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1804 John Lee of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in one Acre of land now know ye that whereas the said Nancy cannot conveniently travel to the Courts of our said County to acknowledge the same therefore we do give to you power to receive the acknowledgements which the said Nancy Griffin shall be willing to make before you of the Covenances aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed and we do therefore Command you to go personally to the said Nancy and examine her privately and apart from her husband whether she hath executed the said Deed freely and Voluntarily without the persuasion or threat of her said husband and whether she is willing the same should be recorded in the County Court of Southampton and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her acknowledgements of the said Indenture that you distinctly & openly Certify us hereof under your hands and seals returning to us also this Court with the said Indenture annexed Witness James Hill clerk of our Court at his office the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1805 and in the 29<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth

James Hill