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Southampton County (to-wit)

The Commonwealth of Virginia to Joel Battie
John Mercer Gentlemen Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid whereas Peter Gray
and Rebekah his wife have by their certain indenture of bargain and sale dated the
fifteenth day of September 1809 Conveyed unto Humphrey Drury of the County
of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in three hundred & thirty seven the
fifth of one eighth part of acres of land and whereas the said Rebekah com-
monly travell to the Court of our said County to acknowledge the same therefore
we do give to you power to receive the Acknowledgement which the said Rebekah
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 to go personally
the said Rebekah and examine her privately and apart from her husband whether
she hath executed the said deed fully and Voluntarily without the persuasion or
threats of her said husband and whether she is willing the said Indenture should
be recorded in the County of Southampton and when you have examined
her as aforesaid and taken her Acknowledgements of the same that you
do solemnly and openly Certify us hereof under your hands and seals returning
to us also this writ with the said Indenture annexed Witness Samuel Kello
Clerk of our said Court at his office the 5th day of September in the 34th year
of the Commonwealth

Samuel Kello

Agreeable to a writ to us directed we did at the house of Arthur Williams
on the 15th day of September 1809 personally examined Rebekah Gray privately
and apart from Peter Gray her said husband and that she did fully and
Voluntarily relinquish her right to land mentioned in the Indenture hereto
annexed without her persuasion or threats and that she the said Rebekah is willing
the same should be committed to the record in the County Court of Southampton
Given under our hands and seals the day and year above written

Joel Battie Seal

John Mercer Seal

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 19th day of March 1810
The Indenture was proved by the oaths of James Atkinson who also deposed deposed
that he saw John Atkinson and Messrs. Spurr two other witnesses should sign their
names as witnesses in the presence of the parties and at their request and with a
commission for the proxy examination of Mr. Rebekah Gray and a certificate
of its execution returned and ordered to be recorded