

And the said James & wife for themselves the said tract of land and every part thereof against themselves and their heirs and against all and every other person and person whatsoever to the said Robert and his heirs &c shall and will warrant & forever defend by these presents In Witness whereof the said Robert James & wife have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written

Witness  
Deliah Sebell  
John Revell  
Charles Stephenson

Robt James Seal  
Per James Seal  
Patey + James Seal  
omn

~~James Patey~~

The Commonwealth of Virginia to

William Blou and Henry Blou Gentlemen Justices of the peace for the county of Southampton whereas Robert James and Patey his wife have by their certain Indenture of bargain and sale dated the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1870 conveyed unto Jesse Birratt of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in twenty three acres of land and whereas the said Patey James cannot conveniently travel to the Court of our said County to acknowledge the same we do therefore give to you power to receive the acknowledgement which the said Patey shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed and we do therefore command you to go and examine her privately and apart from her husband whether she hath executed the said Indenture freely and voluntarily without the persuasion or threat of her husband and whether she is willing the said Indenture should be recorded in the Court of our said County aforesaid and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her acknowledgement of the said Indenture that you distinctly and openly certify us thereof under your hands and seals returning to us also this writ with the said Indenture hereto annexed Witness Sam Keller clerk of our said Court at his Office the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 1871 in the 35<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth

Agreeable to the within Commission to us directed we have written an order Patey James and examine her separately and apart from her husband she acknowledge her signature to the annexed deed to be a voluntarily act of hers