

Virginia
Southampton County S.C.

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The Commonwealth of Virginia
to James Jones and James Clayton gentlemen justices of the peace
for the county of Southampton greeting whereas Micajah
Griffin and Elizabeth his wife have by their certain Indenture
of bargain and sale dated the 8th day of August 1813
conveyed unto Benjamin Griffin the fee simple estate of and
in twenty nine acres of land and whereas the said Elizabeth
cannot conveniently travel to the court of our said county
of aforesaid to acknowledge the same therefore we do give
you power to receive the acknowledgment which the
said Elizabeth 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
to the said Elizabeth and examine her privately and apart
from her said 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 said Indenture
should be recorded in the court of our said county of
Southampton and when you have examined her as aforesaid
and taken her acknowledgment of the same that you
distinctly certify us thereof under your hands and seals
returning to us also this writ with the said Indenture
annexed Witness Samuel Wells clerk of our said court at
his office the 11th day of November 1813 and 38th year of
the Commonwealth

James Rochelle D.C.

Agreeable to a Commission to us directed bearing date the
11th day of November 1813 We have gone personally to Elizabeth
Griffin and at the house of Micajah Griffin and hath examined
her privately and apart from her said husband whether she
acknowledged the annexed Indenture freely and voluntarily
without the persuasion or threat of her husband and she do
herely certify that she did acknowledge the same freely and volun-
tarily without the persuasion or threat of her said husband
and that she is willing the same should be recorded in the