

The Commonwealth of Virginia to James Clayton and
 William Bailey gentlemen Justices of the peace for the county
 of Southampton whereas Joshua Pellow ^{and Nancy his wife} and
 Thomas Peltow and Jane his wife and Mary Denson having
 their certain Indenture of bargain and sale conveyed unto Cowin
 Ricks of the county aforesaid the fee simple estate of and in
 undivided tract or parcel of land held by them in Coparcenary
 lying on the North side of Mattoway river in the county of
 Southampton aforesaid being that part of the tract of land
 of which Edwin Williams ^{deceased} seized and possessed and which
 was allotted and assigned by a decree of the worshipful Court
 of Southampton to said Joshua in right of his wife Nancy
 and to Thomas in right of his wife Jane and to said Mary
 in common containing one hundred and three acres and where
 the said Nancy and Jane cannot conveniently travel to the
 court of our said county to acknowledge the same therefore
 we do give power to you receive the acknowledgment which
 they the said Nancy and Jane 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 Nancy and Jane and examine them privately and
 apart from their said husbands whether they have executed
 the said deed freely and voluntarily without the persuasion or
 threat of their said husbands and whether they are willing the
 said deed should be recorded in the court of our said county of
 Southampton and when you have received their acknowledgments
 and examined them as aforesaid that you distinctly and specially
 certify us thereof in our said court under your seals and sign
 then there this said Indenture and this writ Witness Samuel
 Kellogg clerk of our said county court at the court house the
 1st day of November 1813 and 38th year of the Commonwealth
 James Kellogg Esq

In conformity to the within Commission to us done and we
 have examined Nancy Pellow wife of Joshua Pellow
 privately and apart from her husband whether she is good
 and lawful and acknowledged the annexed Indenture freely and