

to the only proper use and behoof of the said Benjamin Lewis his heirs
assigns and the said Nathaniel Foster and wife doth for themselves
assent and agree with the said Benjamin Lewis his heirs and
assigns that they the said Nathaniel Foster and Harriet his wife
their heirs executors admors or assigns shall and will warrant and
forever defend the afore said land and premises unto the said Ben-
jamin Lewis his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful
claim or claims of any person or persons in whatsoever
whereof we Nathaniel Foster and Harriet his wife have hereunto set
our hands and affixed our seals the day and date first written
Signed Sealed and delivered
In presence of us
N. Brush
Wm. Ridley Jr
Henry S. P. Westbrook

N. Foster
Harriet Foster

Virginia

Southampton County

The Commonwealth of Virginia
to Thomas Ridley and Nathaniel Brush gentlemen justices of the peace
for the County of Southampton greeting: Whereas Nathaniel Foster
and Harriet his wife by their certain Indenture of bargain and
sale bearing date the twentieth day of September 18th have sold
and conveyed unto Benjamin Lewis of the County of Southampton forty
acres of land with the appurtenances lying and being in the County
of Southampton and whereas the said Harriet cannot conveniently
travel to our County Court of Southampton to make acknowledgment
of the said Conveyance: Therefore we do give to you or any two or more
of you, power to receive the acknowledgment which the said Harriet
shall be willing to make before you, of the conveyance aforesaid contain-
ed in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed and we do therefore
command you that you do personally go to the said Harriet and
receive her acknowledgment of the same and examine her separat-
ly and apart from the said Nathaniel her husband whether she
doth the same freely and voluntarily without his persuasion
or threats, and whether she be willing that the same shall be
recorded in our County Court of Southampton aforesaid as to when
you have received her acknowledgment and examined her as aforesaid