

Southampton County

The Commonwealth of Virginia to W^{ts}.

Beach and Thomas Ridley gentlemen justices of the peace for the county of Southampton greeting: Whereas Nathaniel Foster and Harriet his wife by their certain indentures of bargain and sale bearing date the 29th day of September 1814 have sold and conveyed unto Henry John Platt Westbrook of 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 aforesaid acknowledgment which the said Harriet shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said indentures 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 privately and apart from the said Nathaniel Foster her husband and 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: and when you have received her acknowledgment and examined her as aforesaid that you distinctly and openly certify us thereof in our said county court under your seals sending them thereto the said indentures and this writ. Witness our hands and seals the 25th day of September 1814 and 39th year of the Commonwealth.

James Bechtolt

We have this day at the house of Nathaniel Foster agreeable to our Commission to us directed bearing date the 25th day of September in the year of our Lord 1814 taken the relinquishment of W^{ts} Harriet Foster the wife of Nathaniel Foster agreeable to the annexed Commission. Given under my hand and seal the 29th day of September 1814.

A. Brough J^{ps}The Ridley J^{ps}