

Southampton County This Indenture and the Certificate of Elias Sumner and John C. Gray magistrates of this County Certifying the acknowledgment of Drury Hobbs and Sidney his wife parties hereto in pursuance of an act of assembly in such case made and provided and admitted to record and was a Court here for the County of Southampton the 16th day of September 1816 This Indenture and Certificate as aforesaid were entered upon the proceedings of the day

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The Commonwealth of Virginia to James Ponn and Esq. R. Crofts Gentlemen justices of the peace for the County of Southampton and state of North Carolina greeting Whereas John Gardner and Martha his wife by their certain Indenture of bargain and sale bearing date the twentieth day of December 1815 have sold and conveyed unto Leticia Gardner of the County of the County of Southampton seventy seven acres of land with the appurtenances lying and being in the County of Southampton and whereas the said Martha Gardner 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 Martha Gardner 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 that you do personally go to the said Martha Gardner and receive her acknowledgment of the same and examine her privately and apart from the said John Gardner her husband whether she doth the same freely & 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 that there the said Indenture and this writ

Witness James Rockelle Clerk of our said Court at his office the 15th day of February 1816 and 40th year of the Commonwealth

James Rockelle

Northampton County North Carolina

Pursuant annexes Commission to us directed from the Washington and of Southampton Va we have proceeded to take the private examination of Martha Gardner wife of John Gardner relative to the sale of seventy seven acres of land lying being in Southampton County state of Va which the said John Gardner sold to the said Leticia Gardner and the said Martha Gardner when we examined privately and apart from her husband and that she is willing to relinquish all her right & interest in said land and that it is of her own voluntary will & accord without the restraint or compulsion her husband & that she is willing