

and openly certify as aforesaid, in our said County Court, under
your seals: setting forth that there the said In Court and
this writ. Witness James Rochelle, Clerk of our said Court,
at his office, the 27th day of July 1816. and 11th year of
the said Commonwealth.

Southampton County to wit

We George Gurley and Benjamin
Devany Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid do hereby
certify that the within named Sophia T. Welsh wife of the said
Henry Welsh personally appeared before us and being examined
by us privately and apart from the said Henry Welsh her
husband whether she was willing that the within conveyed
should be made the said Sophia T. acknowledged that she was
and that she has signed the same freely and voluntarily and
without the persuasion or threats of her said husband and
that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands
and seals this 29th day of July 1816

Geo Gurley
Ben Devany

Southampton County

In the Clerk's office July 16th 1817
This Indenture was acknowledged by Henry Welsh
together with the Commission for the acknowledgment and
spicy examination of the said Sophia T. which arrived
and the certificate indorsed of its execution, was returned
and admitted to record. And at a Court held for
the said County of Southampton the 21st day of July
1817. This Indenture as aforesaid was entered upon the
proceedings thereof in pursuance of an Act of
Assembly in such Case made and provided.

Teste James Rochelle
Clerk

Ricks
To
Cassan Robin

I Osmin Ricks of the County of Southampton
and State of Virginia, having under my care, one negro
man named Cassan aged about forty years, one other
negro man named Robin (aged about thirty years, whom
I have hitherto held as slaves, but being of opinion that
it is my duty to do by others, as I should be done by,
therefore, I do hereby emancipate and set free the said
Cassan and Robin, and I do, for myself, my heirs, executors
and administrators, hereby relinquish all my right, title,
interest, and claim or pretension of them with all and
either to their persons, or to any estate they may hereafter