

Beale
to
Bankford

This Indenture, made the 25th day of January, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred & seventeen, between Jordan Bell & Elizabeth his wife both of the County of Sampson and State of Va. of the one part; and John Wilkinson, Benj. Sharp of the State of North Carolina County of Edgecombe, of the other part; Witnesseth that the said Jordan Bell and Elizabeth his wife in order to secure the payment of the following debt, (to wit) the sum of one thousand & seventy three dollars, current money of Virginia, and in consideration of the sum of one dollar paid by the s^d Benj. Sharpford, before the making or delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof his hands acknowledged, the said Jordan Bell and Elizabeth his wife have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the s^d Benj. Sharpford as Trustee the following property, to wit; and Negro man named Dancy, and Negro woman and Girl, Negro girl milly, and Negro boy Benjamin & Negro girl Chancy, also and certain tract or parcel of land & premises whereon the s^d Jordan Bell now lives, containing by estimation Two hundred and nine acres, to the same more or less, and bounded by the lines of Henry Jones, Capt. James Clayton, Samuel Jones and Josiah Eddy & David Cantelmy & John Jones, and the various and various and other profits thereof, and every part thereof, and also all the right, title, interest, property, claim or demand both at Law or in Equity of them the s^d Jordan Bell and Elizabeth his wife in the said property, either real or personal estate. To have and to hold the same property, as before described to be legally granted with their and every of their assentances unto the s^d Benj. Sharpford, John Wilkinson & Benj. Sharp their heirs, Executors, administrators or assigns forever; Upon trust nevertheless, that the said Benj. Sharpford shall as soon as conveniently he can, after having given due notice and place of the sale of the property before mentioned, at least ten days previous notice to the sale of the said property, proceed to sell all the property both real & personal to the highest bidder for the best price that can be obtained, and out of the money arising from the sale, in the first place to satisfy and pay all reason all charges, attending such sale and then the proceeds above mentioned, and the residue of the money arising from such sale as aforesaid to the use of the s^d Jordan Bell & Elizabeth his wife to them and their heirs forever, or to such person or persons as the s^d Jordan Bell by writing, shall under his hand appoint; And in default of such appointment to such person or persons as would be thereto entitled, by virtue of the Statute for distribution of intestate Estates.

Signed & sealed in presence
of us, James Jones, Benj. Griffin
Wm. Jones

Jordan Bell
Elizabeth his wife
Benj. Sharp
John Wilkinson
Benj. Sharpford