

Smith & Mary his wife might sustain, by as forcibly presenting & obtaining  
out of this office any part of the life or intention of the party. This  
instrument of writing may not be recorded in Court, unless the party  
to whose benefit it is intended may think proper, but should be  
of the same validity in its nature & purpose as other written alleg-  
ations and standing on record conformably to Law & Good order  
and shall this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 1817—  
in presence of

Teste  
Robert Merrill,  
Horatio Ellis, William <sup>his</sup>  
Clavel Junr ————— mark

John Wornack (seal)

Southampton County

In the Clerk's office the 16<sup>th</sup> of February 1818.  
This deed of loan was proved by the oaths of Robert Merrill, Hor-  
atio Ellis two of the Justices thereof, & Court held for the  
County of Southampton the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818  
and the said deed of loan was further proved by  
the oath of William Clavel Junr another witness thereof  
to Record

Teste  
James Rochelle &c.

Goodman  
Wife  
vs  
Port

Whereas Benjamin P. Thorpe of said County of Granville & State of North Carolina by their Deed of  
Indenture bearing date the twenty second day of October Anno Domini  
one thousand eight hundred & seventeen, for the consideration  
therein expressed, did grant, bargain, sell, alien, release & confirm unto  
William and B. Goodman & Lewis Port as tenants in common a certain  
tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Southampton on  
both sides of the three creeks, containing by Indian hundred & fifty  
one acres, the same more or less, on which John T. Richardson lived  
to have & to hold to them the said William and B. Goodman & Lewis Port  
heirs & assigns forever as tenants in common and not as joint tenants  
whereas the said William and B. Goodman & Lewis Port are desirous of  
making partition of this of said tract or parcel of land, so that  
each may hold their respective portions of said tract or parcel of land  
in severalty by proper metes & bounds & not in common, Now this  
Indenture made this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year four  
Lord, one thousand eight hundred & seventeen, Between the said  
William and B. Goodman & Eliza T. his wife of the first part, the  
said Lewis Port of the second part, Witnesseth, that the said William  
and B. Goodman & Eliza T. his wife, in consideration that the said  
Lewis Port by his deed of Indenture bearing even date with these  
present, hath conveyed to the said William and B. Goodman all that  
portion of the said tract of land lying on the south side of the