

Melissa T. Nicholson wife of the said William T. Nicholson was admitted to record. And at a Court held for the County aforesaid the 17<sup>th</sup> August 1855 the said Indenture and Certificate were returned upon the following Table James Rockwell &c.

Bryant & Cook

This Indenture made and entered into on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty five. Between Ernest Bryant and Polly Bryant his wife of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia of the one part and Miles Cook of the same County and State of the other part. Witness that the said Ernest Bryant and Polly his wife for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars Current Money of the Commonwealth to them in hand paid by the said Miles Cook at or before the making and delivery of these presents to wit the whole of a surety and bond signed and granted by the said Miles Cook in and by these presents do and each of them with grant bargain sell alien confirm and by these presents do and each of them with grant bargain sell alien confirm unto him the said Miles Cook his heirs and assigns forever one certain tract or parcel of land (situate lying and being in the aforesaid County of Southampton and parish of Saint Luke's containing by late survey about nine acres (be the same more or less) and bounded as follows to wit) Beginning at a Water Oak standing in the space a corner for the land of Richard Williams dec<sup>d</sup> in said Miles Cook's line thence along said Williams line of markers trees 22<sup>ft</sup> 1/2 poles to a maple thence S 53<sup>o</sup> 49 3/4 poles to a White Oak a corner for the land of Charles Bryant dec<sup>d</sup> thence along said Charles Bryant's line of markers trees 5 1/2<sup>ft</sup> 110<sup>ft</sup> poles to a black gum standing in the corner branch corner for the land of said Charles Bryant dec<sup>d</sup> thence up the run of said branch 33 poles to a poplar thence S 5<sup>o</sup> 11 7/12 poles to a white oak a corner for said Miles Cook's thence along his line of markers trees S 58 3/4<sup>o</sup> E 24 poles thence S 6<sup>o</sup> E 13 poles thence S 56 7/8<sup>o</sup> E 16 poles to two black gum thence S 55 1/2<sup>o</sup> poles to a black gum thence S 54 1/2<sup>o</sup> E 27 poles to a white gum thence S 56 1/2<sup>o</sup> poles thence S 77<sup>o</sup> E 13 poles thence S 70<sup>o</sup> E 8 poles to a large Oak thence S 77<sup>o</sup> E 7 poles thence S 79<sup>o</sup> E 4 poles to a Water Oak thence S 36 3/4<sup>o</sup> E 30 poles to a large White Oak thence S 17 1/4<sup>o</sup> E 28 1/2 poles to the first station together with all the right title interest claim or demand of us and to the above described tract or parcel of land and premises with its appurtenances thence to begin or in any wise appertaining To Have and to Hold the said tract or parcel of land and premises with all and singular the appurtenances thence to begin and to him the said Miles Cook his heirs and assigns forever (to wit for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Miles Cook his heirs and assigns forever) and the said Ernest Bryant and Polly his wife for them and assigns forever do and each of them with grant bargain sell alien confirm and agree to and with the said Miles Cook his heirs and assigns forever and agree to and with the said Miles Cook his heirs and assigns forever defend all the right and title to the aforesaid tract or parcel of land and premises (hereby conveyed) and any part or parcel thereof against the claims or demands of all and every persons who have or shall hereafter have whereof the said Ernest Bryant and Polly Bryant his