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you have written.

At a court convened and held for the County of Southampton the 16th day of August 1838.
This Indenture was acknowledged by the parties thereto and ordered to be recorded.
Test,
L. P. Edwards C. C.

This Indenture made and entered into this 11th day of July in the year of our Lord 1838 between Benjamin Ellis, and Wife Clarissa Ellis, Jane Norton and her husband, Randolph Norton, Joseph Ellis, John Ellis, Hannah Stephens and husband Samuel Stephens, Richard Ellis, of the one part, and Samuel Ellis of the other part all of the State of Virginia: Witness that for and in consideration of the premises, and for the further consideration of the sum of Fifty one dollars and 60 cts to each and every of them the said Benjamin Ellis & Wife Clarissa, Samuel Stephens, and Richard Ellis in hand paid by the said Samuel Ellis at and before, given, granted, bargained, sold, conveyed and delivered, and by these presents as give grant bargain sell and deliver unto the said Samuel Ellis, his heirs &c forever, one certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Southampton which their father Norrington Ellis and now called the James Tract on the North side of the River leading from Raleighs bridge to Jerusalem containing by estimation one hundred and forty-eight acres, be the same more or less and bounded by the Lands of Mount Drew, Jacob Ranney and Joseph T. Cloud, together with all improvements thereto attached, unto him the said Saml Ellis and his heirs forever, we the aforesd do by these presents warrant and forever defend our and each of our titles claims and Int. in and to the said Tract of land, agst the claim of ourselves, our and each of our heirs and against the claim and demand of all and every other person or persons whatsoever. We Witness are the parties have hereunto set our hands and seals this day and date first above written.

Signe sealed and delivered,
in presence of us.

Mount Drew.

James Harrison.

R. T. Chapman (C. C.)

John T. Cloud

Mount D. Powell

John Ellis and Richard Ellis

Benjamin Ellis (C. C.)
Clarissa Ellis (C. C.)
Jane Norton (C. C.)
Randolph Norton (C. C.)
John Ellis (C. C.)
Hannah Stephens (C. C.)
Samuel Stephens (C. C.)
Richard Ellis (C. C.)

Southampton County to wit.

We Joseph T. Cloud and Robert T. Ranney two of the justices of the peace for the County of said as hereby certify that Clarissa Ellis wife of Benjamin Ellis and Jane Norton wife of Randolph Norton, parties to a certain and having set on the 11th day of July 1838 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County of said and being examined by us privately and apart from their husbands and having the said appearance fully explained to them, and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed.