

Whereas by a said sale second November 1836 made by Charles Smith & Richard P. Clements and duly acknowledged & recorded in Sussex County Court in the State of Virginia, it was agreed and covenanted that the bond of the said Polly Smith wife of the said Charles, during her lifetime & at her death the title to said Negroes to the children of the said Polly & Charles - Now know all men by these presents that we the said Charles Smith & Polly Smith of Simestone County in the State of Alabama have this day made, ordained, constituted and appointed Andrew M. Smith of said County of Simestone our true and lawful attorney, for us and in our names, or in the name of either of us to let sumas and receive for the increase and hire of said Slaves which has already accrued of and from any individuals whatever into whose hands the same have come and who may be liable for the same, and upon receipt thereof by, or payment thereof to our said attorney, a general release or discharge for the same, and upon advice, And the said Charles & said Polly further authorize our said attorney for us and in our names to receive the said Slaves Stephen Henry & Peggy & the increase of said female Slaves, if & from any persons or persons in whose possession they may be and upon receipt thereof by our said attorney, a release or discharge for the same for the same to make execute and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming & allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In testimony whereof we the said Charles Smith & Polly Smith have hereto set our hands & seals this 6th day of June 1837.

Charles Smith (seal)
Polly Smith (seal)

State of Alabama, Simestone County ss

We the undersigned Justices of the peace in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Charles Smith & Polly Smith his wife acknowledged before us that they signed sealed & delivered the foregoing power of attorney for the purposes therein mentioned on the day of its date Given under our hands & seals this 6th day of June 1837.

J. D. Mofford (seal)
John McBratton (seal)

State of Alabama, Simestone County ss

I Robert Austin Jr. Clerk of the County Court of said County do hereby certify that Andrew Mofford and John McBratton whose names are signed to the above certificate were at the date thereof Justices of the peace in and for this County and that full faith and credit are due to all their official acts and deeds as such and that their said certificate is in due form of Law.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my name and affixed the seal of said Court at Office this 26th day of June 1837 and 61st year of American Independence.

Teste Robert Austin Jr. Clerk

The State of Alabama, Simestone County Ss.

I Paul Hildreth, Judge of the County Court of said County hereby certify that Robert Austin Jr. whose name is signed to the above certificate was at the time of the date thereof Clerk of the County Court of said County & that the same is in due form of Law. Given under my hands & seals this 26th day of June 1837.

P. Hildreth J. C. (seal)

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 21st day of August 1837

This Power of attorney, with the certificates thereto annexed, was returned and ordered to be recorded.

Teste L. R. Edwards Clk

This Indenture made this 19. day of June in the year one Thousand eight hundred and thirty seven between Harry Croft and his Wife Mary Ann Croft of Nansemond County in the State of Virginia of the one part and Henry S. Simons of Southampton County and State aforesaid of the other part: witnesseth that the said Harry Croft & his Wife Mary Ann Croft for an inconsideration of the just sum of One hundred thirty six dollars and ten cents to them in hand paid by the said Henry S. Simons the receipt whereof the said Harry Croft & his Wife aforesaid doth hereby acknowledge and himself therewith fully satisfied, hath given granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth fully and freely absolutely, give grant bargain alien in fee simple convey and forever confirm unto him the said Henry S. Simons his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of Land lying and being in the aforesaid County of Southampton on the east side of Northway River, containing one hundred acres more or less (known as the Jordan