

May 1  
to  
Barward  
Exam of J. M. B.  
W. B. B.

This Indenture made this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty one between James Muzel of the County of Southampton State of Virginia of the one part and William Barward of the same County and State of the other part: Whereas by Virtue of a deed of trust executed to the said James Muzel as trustee by Nelson B. Hodges bearing date the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1838 and duly recorded in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Southampton State of Virginia for the benefit of Lafayette Brown (which will more fully appear by reference to said deed of Trust) the said James Muzel (Trustee) pursuant to orders and from the said Nelson B. Hodges (owner of said Lafayette Brown's) and the order or agent of the said Nelson B. Hodges of (as duly appearing according to the condition of said deed of trust did cause all the right, title, interest or claim in and to the tract of land known as Monroe said to contain five hundred and eighty four acres more or less and bounded by the millway river from the Town of Monroe down to the lands formerly owned by the late William Allen said thence along said Allen's line a westerly course to a corner in said Allen's line for the lands of the aforesaid Lafayette Brown said thence along said Brown's line a westerly course to the said Town of Monroe all of which will more fully appear by reference to a deed from said Lafayette Brown and wife to Nelson B. Hodges bearing date the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1838 at being the same tract or parcel of Land as is therein conveyed, to be put up at public sale to the highest bidder on the first day of May Inst. upon the premises at which time and place William Barward became the highest and best bidder at the sum of two thousand four hundred and ninety six dollars for the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land with the appurtenances thereto belonging. Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said James Muzel (Trustee) for and in consideration of the sum of two thousand four hundred and ninety six dollars to him in hand paid by the said William Barward at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said James Muzel (Trustee) doth hereby bargain sell alien convey confirm and confirm unto him the said William Barward his heirs executors administrators or assigns forever all the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land containing five hundred and eighty four acres more or less (aforesaid) with the appurtenances and tenements thereto belonging with all right title interest claim or demand of or unto the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appearing. Do have and to hold to him the said William Barward his heirs executors administrators or assigns forever in as full and ample a manner as the said trustee is empowered by virtue of his trust aforesaid. And further the said James Muzel (Trustee) doth hereby covenant promise assent and grant to and with the said William Barward his heirs and assigns who shall and may from time to time and at all times hereafter have hold occupy possess or enjoy the aforesaid premises with the appurtenances free and clear of and from all encumbrances had made done or committed by him the said James Muzel as trustee or by his order means or proceeding and the said trustee will warrant and defend the same to the said William Barward his heirs and assigns forever so far as he the said James Muzel (Trustee) is authorized by Virtue of the aforesaid deed in trust and no further. For witness whereof the said trustee hereunto sets his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed Sealed acknowledged and delivered in presence of us  
M. M. Vaughan  
J. M. Muzel  
S. J. Dancy

James Muzel