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Signed sealed and delivered  
In presence of  
Jacob Barnes  
Jonathan Darden  
Benjamin Burns

Jacob his wife <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
Josiah Dick ~~Rebecca~~  
Rebecca his wife <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
Jacob his Porter <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
Elizabeth his Porter <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
James his wife <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
John his wife <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~  
Maria his wife <sup>Rebecca</sup> ~~Rebecca~~

Southampton County to wit

We Jacob Barnes and James M. Justice of the peace in this County  
aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Rebecca Dick the wife of Josiah Dick  
Elizabeth Porter the wife of Jacob Porter and Maria Dick the wife of John Dick party to a  
certain deed bearing date on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1841 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before  
us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us freely and apart from their husbands and  
having the said aforesaid fully explained to them they the said Rebecca Dick Elizabeth Porter and  
Maria Dick acknowledged the same to be their act and deed and declared that they had willingly  
signed sealed and delivered the same and that they wished not to retract it Given under our hands  
and seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1841

Jacob Barnes <sup>PP</sup> ~~PP~~  
Josiah Dick <sup>PP</sup> ~~PP~~

Southampton County in the Clerk's Office the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1841  
This deed of bargain and sale from Josiah Dick and wife and others to William Dick was proved by  
the oath of Jacob Barnes one of the witnesses thereto and having been so proved on the 21<sup>st</sup>  
day of June 1841 by the oath of Jonathan Darden and Benjamin Burns two other witnesses  
thereto together with the certificate of the proper examination and acknowledgement of the words  
admitted to Record —

Teste & J. R. Edwards Esq.

Pardon My. This Indenture made and entered into this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1841 between Thomas Pottow Sheriff  
of the County of Southampton and as such administrator de bonis morib. with the will annexed of Lewis  
N. Branch sen<sup>r</sup> of the one part and Polly Branch of the other part. Whereas Lewis N. Branch late  
of the County of Southampton hath departed this life having first made and published his last will  
and Testament in writing which has been proved and admitted to Record in the Court of the said County  
and the executors therin named referring to qualify as such administrator on the said estate with the  
will annexed of the said Lewis N. Branch was granted unto John N. Booth in due form. And the said  
John N. Booth in executing and discharging the power and duty so confided in him by the said will did  
on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1840 having given due notice thereof at public auction a certain tract  
or parcel of land of which the said Branch died seized and possessed lying in the County of Warwick and  
containing two hundred and eighty one acres more or less subject to the claim of Polly Branch widow  
of George Branch sen<sup>r</sup> thereinafter at the rate as made the said Polly Branch became the purchaser  
of the said tract of land the being the highest bidder therefore at the price of at one dollar and eighty  
cents per acre and before a sum was remitted to the said Polly Branch conveying the said tract of  
land the power of the said John N. Booth as administrator as aforesaid was revoked and cancelled and  
the unadministered estate of the said Lewis N. Branch died by an order of the Court of the County aforesaid  
committed to the keeping of Thomas Pottow Sheriff of the said County for administration according to Law.