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The Indenture made this 15th day of August 1797 between and for two between William
Tobson of the first part Joseph H. Prince of the second part and William Prince of the third part of
the said William Prince has become securing to the said William Tobson in a bond to Joseph
H. Prince for the sum of two hundred dollars dated on the 8th day of June 1792 and payable on the
first day of October 1792 and the said William Tobson is desirous to indemnify and secure the
said William Prince against all loss and injury from the said securing ship. Now this Indenture
witnesseth that the said William Tobson for and in consideration of the promises and for the further
consideration of one dollar to him the said Joseph H. Prince in hand paid at and before the
making and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged both granted
bargained sold aliened and confirmed and by these presents does grant bargain sell alien and
confirm unto the said Joseph H. Prince his heirs and assigns forever the following property to wit
nearly eleven Peter and George one gray horse one sorrel mare seven head of cattle 30 head of hogs
all his household and kitchen furniture together with all his farming utensils of every kind and
description also all his present growing crops of every kind now being raised on the plantation
whereon he now resides. To have and to hold the said negro slaves Peter and George together
with all the personal property herein before mentioned unto him the said Joseph H. Prince his
heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Joseph H. Prince his
heirs and assigns forever - Now trust nevertheless and for the use and purposes following
to wit first to permit the said William Tobson to return peaceable and quiet possession
of the said slaves and personal property aforesaid and to take the heirs and issue of profits
thereof to his own use without accounting for the same until a sale is actually made
in the manner and upon the terms herein after set forth secondly if the said sum of two
hundred dollars shall remain unpaid on the 1st day of October 1792 when the same is due and is
payable then and in that case the said Joseph H. Prince his Executors or administrators who are by
these presents fully authorized to act shall thereafter when required by the said William Prince his heirs
Executors administrators or assigns sell and dispose of in free sale at public auction to the highest
bids for ready money having first the term and place of sale at his own discretion and given ten days
notice thereof by advertisements posted at the door of the Court House of Southampton County and
other public places if being deemed necessary the said slaves Peter and George and the other personal
property hereby conveyed and out of the proceeds of such sale shall in the first place pay and satisfy the costs and
charges of drawing and recording this deed if then unpaid and all other expenses attending the execution of this
trust and in the second place if the proceeds are sufficient for that purpose pay unto the said
sum of \$200. or such part thereof as may be then due and unpaid and lastly to account for and pay
over to the said William Tobson his heirs Executors administrators or assigns or such person or persons as may be
entitled to the same the balance of the proceeds if any and convey the same to the purchaser or
receiving payment for the same. Now the said William Tobson for himself his heirs Executors
and administrators covenants with the said Joseph H. Prince his heirs Executors administrators
as follows to wit to warrant and defend the said slaves and other personal property aforesaid
unto the said Joseph H. Prince his heirs Executors administrators or assigns against the claims or claims of
all persons whomsoever to make and execute or cause to be made and executed such deed or
other writings as shall be of him required for putting the purchaser or purchasers thereof into
actual possession of the same and conforming to such person or persons an indefeasible title
therein and to discharge all taxes impositions and assessments made chargeable on the same
during his possession or the possession of all persons claiming under him during the continuance of