

Southampton County to wit:

We Thomas Bixley and Francis J. Bixley, Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Mary A. Williams the wife of Nathaniel J. Williams parties to a certain deed bearing date the 1st day of August 1843 and heretofore personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid being examined by us privately and apart from her husband & having the said deed apart fully explained to her that the said Mary A. Williams acknowledged the same to be her own & deed and declared that the said writing signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wishes not to retract, is given under our hands & seals this 1st day of August 1843

Thos Bixley J.P. (seal)

Francis J. Bixley J.P. (seal)

Southampton County in the Clerk's Office the 2nd day of December 1843
This Deed of Bargain and sale from Nathaniel J. Williams wife to S.R. Edwards was acknowledged by said N.J. Williams one of the parties thereto and together with the witnesses of the same examination and acknowledgment of the wife admitted to Record
John S.R. Edwards Clk

This Indenture made and entered into the first day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty five between Nathaniel J. Williams and Mary A. his wife of the one part and John M. Bixley of the other part Witnesseth that the said Nathaniel J. Williams and wife for and in consideration of the sum of four thousand dollars to them in hand paid by the said John M. Bixley the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained & sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said John M. Bixley his heirs and assigns and certain tract or parcel of land lying partly in the County of Southampton State of Virginia and partly in the County of Southampton State of North Carolina containing by recent survey twelve hundred and thirty two acres more or less situated immediately on the Meherrin river and bounded by the lands of George W. Gray Henry Hunter Nathaniel B. Bryant thus it being the late residence of the said N.J. Williams together with all and singular the appurtenances to the said tract of land belonging in or any way appertaining. His heirs and to hold the said tract or parcel of land unto him the said John M. Bixley his heirs and assigns forever until the said Nathaniel J. Williams & Mary A. his wife do hereby agree to covenant and force against the right and title to the above described tract or parcel of land against the claim of all and every person or persons claiming by charge or under claim unto the said John M. Bixley his heirs and assigns forever and also for the further consideration of the sum of thirteen hundred and fifty five dollars to them in hand paid by the said John M. Bixley the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said Nathaniel J. Williams & Mary A. his wife have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said John M. Bixley his heirs and assigns one full and equal acre (or thereabouts) of a certain tract or parcel of land lying partly in the Counties of Southampton and Sussex supposed to contain fifteen hundred acres to the said Henry Hunter being the same tract or parcel of land owned by Rank D. Brown which the said Williams purchased at the late sale by Thomas D. Shelton and Sellator R. Edwards within in a deed of land executed by the said Rank D. Brown for the benefit of his children together with all the appurtenances to the said tract or parcel of land belonging in or any way appertaining. To Have and to hold the tract aforesaid unto the said John M. Bixley his heirs and assigns forever until the said Nathaniel J. Williams & Mary A. his wife do hereby agree to covenant the said John M. Bixley his heirs