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This deed made the 23rd day of April 1853, between Joshua Guttler, of the County of Southampton, of the one part, and Elijah Helms of the aforesaid County of the other part, witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of three hundred and twenty eight dollars the said Joshua Guttler doth grant unto the said Elijah Helms all his right, title and interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Southampton containing three hundred and thirty nine acres being part of the tract of land which the said Joshua Guttler purchased of the Commissioner appointed under a decree of the County Court of Southampton at its March Term 1850, to sell a portion of the real estate of which George B. Bay did seize and possess, known as the Harry Applewhite tract, and bounded as follows, to wit: on the north by the Three Creeks, on the east by the land of Benjamin Applewhite, on the south by the Robin Branch and the land of the said Joshua Guttler on the west by the land of the said Joshua Guttler. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land to him the said Elijah Helms his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Joshua Guttler covenants with the said Elijah Helms that he will warrant generally the title of the said tract or parcel of land. Witness the following signature and seal
Joshua Guttler Seal

Southampton County, In the Clerk's office the 23rd day of April 1853
This deed of bargain and sale from Joshua Guttler to Elijah Helms
was acknowledged by the said Guttler and admitted to record.

Teste,

J. R. Edwards, Esq.

Branch This 2d march 25th day of March in the year 1853, between Richard H. Branch
and Virginia C. his wife of the one part, of the County of Southampton, State of Virginia and George Johnson of the second part of the County
and State aforesaid, witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of three
hundred dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do
grant unto the said George Johnson the half of a certain Water
gap Mill in the said County of Southampton (half of which the said
Johnson now owns together with the land and appurtenances thereto
belonging). And that they will warrant specially the property
hereby conveyed. Witness the following signatures and seals.
R. H. Branch Seal
Virginia C. Branch Seal

Southampton County, Teste:

We the J. Brister and Jos. E. Gillette, Justices of the peace in the County of
said in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Virginia C. Branch
the wife of R. H. Branch parties to a certain deed bearing date the 25th
day of March 1853, and hereinunto annexed personally appeared before
us in our County and State aforesaid and being examined by us fully
and expert from her husband and having the said Virginia C. Branch acknowledged
to her she the said Virginia C. Branch acknowledged
the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had
willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she
wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and
seals this 2nd day of Apr. 1853.

Jos. J. Brister Seal
Jos. E. Gillette Seal