

of the said Mary Ann Mason in writing and attested by at least two witnesses well disposed of any of the said slaves in the incense of any fiduciary and invest as he may think fit and she desire, the proceeds of sale in such instrument whether in possession, in debt, otherwise, to be held subject to all the conditions provided for herself, and all the said and trusts hereby declared as if no such sale had been made. And the said Mary Ann Mason for herself her heirs, Exors and Adms. doeth hereby covenant with the said John J. Mason his Executors and Adms. that he will to him and them forever warrant, defend as heint before mentioned, and defend the title to the said slaves and their increase against the demands of all persons whatsoever. In testimony whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first hereint written.

John J. Mason
 W. MacRae

J. J. Mason

M. A. Mason

Consulate of the United States
 of America, Paris, France.

Be it known that on this 20th day of Nov. AD 1854 before me, W. MacRae Vice Consul of the United States of America at Paris France, personally appeared John J. Mason and Mary Ann his wife well known to be two of the parties named in the foregoing instrument of exhibiting and acknowledging the same to be their free act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned with the said Mary Ann on separate examination made by me separately and apart from her said husband acknowledged that she executed the same freely and without any compulsion on the part of her said husband. In testimony of all said I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of this Consulate the day and year above mentioned.

W. MacRae

His Vice Consul

City of Richmond, Va.

In the Office of the Court of Hustings for the said City the 18th day of December 1854 This Deed was presented and with the certificate annexed (consented to record at ten o'clock A.M.

Test.

Geo. Howard, Clerk

Southampton County. In the Clerk's Office, the 19th day of October 1854. This Deed was presented and with the certificate annexed of its acknowledgment by John J. Mason, openly there, and of the being examined and acknowledged by Mary Ann Mason also openly there, and with the certificate annexed of its having been recorded in the Office of the Hustings Court for the City of Richmond, was thereupon admitted to be recorded.

Test.

J. R. Edwards, Clerk

This Deed was the 22nd day of October 1854, between Stephenson of the one part and Wm. B. Briggs, Trustee of the other part, Wm. B. Briggs, Trustee, that the said Stephenson doeth hereby grant unto the said Wm. B. Briggs, Trustee, his heirs and assigns forever, all my Interest which I may have in the trust of Land whereon I now live of the said Stephenson a Deed of Trust executed by me to Eliza H. Briggs and of record in the Office of Southampton County also all the Interest which I own in the tract of Land belonging to the heirs of Alexander Briggs her also all the interest which I own