

State of Virginia  
Southampton County } to wit.

This day foregoing appeared before me, A. D. Butler, Justice of the Peace, for the County and State aforesaid, Mrs. J. C. Bratton, whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date January 2<sup>d</sup>, 1875, and acknowledged the same to be her act and deed. Given under my hand the 5<sup>d</sup> day of January 1875.

A. D. Butler, J.P.

I hereby certify that the notes mentioned in the within released deed has been paid in full.

G. F. Pick, Esq., Pro  
D. G. Doty, Staff.

Southampton County, at the Clerk's Office January 15<sup>d</sup>, 1875.

This Deed of Release from W. H. Bratton was deposited to James Gould, on this day received and registered with the respective clerks aforesaid, admitted to record.

Date, G. B. Edwards, Clerk.

J. C. Bratton made this 25<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy four between Caleb E. Story and J. C. Bratton his wife Grangers, of this our Court and County of Southampton, of the other party. Notwithstanding that she said Caleb E. Story and J. C. Bratton his wife doth grant unto the said James J. Gould (Bratton) all of their entire interest in the surplus of a deed of trust made to C. B. Carter through 19<sup>th</sup> 1871 to secure land for a road and that land which was given and left George Farrel in Southampton County 18<sup>th</sup> 1871 now being deposited, bounded by the lands of Andrew Johnson, C. Bratton and others. In trust to secure payment of one hundred and forty six dollars due and stated Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> 1874. And of £3 should be necessary to sell said land for the payment of said debt, the said Bratton is to receive usual interest and all costs and expenses of said debt and paying cost and Commissions payng said debt, the balance payng over to C. E. Story. Whereof over demands and seals this day and date above written.

Caleb E. Story  
John C. Bratton  
*(Signed)*

State of Virginia  
County of Southampton } to wit.

J. J. Dryer, a Notary Public, for the County aforesaid, doth certify that J. C. Story the wife of Caleb E. Story, whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 25<sup>d</sup> day of December 1874, formerly appeared before me in the County Court house and in the State aforesaid and being examined by me privately and apart from her Husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she said J. C. Story acknowledged the said writing to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly executed the same and did not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this 25<sup>d</sup> day of December 1874.

J. J. Dryer, N.P.

State of Virginia  
County of Southampton } to wit.

J. J. Dryer, a Notary Public for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do certify that Caleb E. Story, whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date on the 25<sup>d</sup> day of December 1874, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 25<sup>d</sup> day of December 1874.

J. J. Dryer, N.P.

Southampton County, at the Clerk's Office January 15<sup>d</sup>, 1875.  
This Deed of Release from Caleb E. Story, female to James J. Gould (Bratton) for the benefit of G. B. Carter, was this day received and registered with the respective clerks aforesaid, admitted to record.

Date, G. B. Edwards, Clerk.