

Virginia, County of Southampton to witness:

I, N. P. Griffitt a Notary Public for the County of Southampton and the State of Virginia, do certify that Mary J. D. Pitts, the wife of J. D. Pitts, whose names are subscribed to the within writing, bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1775, previously appeared before me in the County aforesaid, and was examined by me privately and apart from her husband, and having the writing of same fully explained to her, she said Mary J. D. Pitts acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does now wish to have it recorded under my hand, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1775.

N. P. Griffitt A. P.

+ Southampton County - In the Clerk's Office of February 26<sup>th</sup> 1775  
The said of Sarah and her son J. Pitts wife to John J. Downing, and his son  
private and together with the certificate thereunto annexed, admitted to record.  
Date, M. Edwards Esq.

My Deed made this the twenty sixth day of February in the year and instant  
one thousand and twenty five between John J. Downing of the first part and George  
Gardner of the second part, Philadelphia: that the said John J. Downing party of the first  
part with conveyance aforesaid has sold all his right title and interest in  
that piece of land or where he now last resided to Captain and hundred acres and odd  
of John J. Downing purchaser of said Pitts, and which was granted to John J. Downing  
by late bearing same date with this deed, for the sum paid of securing the payment  
of a land given by John J. Downing for the purchase money of said lands, bearing  
date of the 26<sup>th</sup> 1775 and payable to J. D. Pitts sum first right hand  
and twenty six for the sum of two hundred and eight dollars, and in the rest  
of default being made in the payment of said lands shall be treated whenever  
required to do so, shall sell the said lands and pay off the said aforementioned  
sum if there is any amount remaining. Be it known to the Purchaser after paying expense of sale shall  
have one and all manner to John J. Downing. Testay the following signature and  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1775.

N. P. Griffitt

John J. Downing (initials)

County of Southampton to witness:

I, N. P. Griffitt a Notary Public for the County  
aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that John J. Downing whose name is  
signed to the writing above bearing date on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1775, aforesaid,  
the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1775.

N. P. Griffitt A. P.

Southampton County - In the Clerk's Office February 26<sup>th</sup> 1775  
The said of Sarah from John J. Downing to Armstrong Comptroller District for the  
use of J. D. Pitts, was this day received and together with the certificate thereunto  
admitted to record.

Date, M. Edwards Esq.

This Deed of De  
cording parts, G. F. Wright  
Councillor of Law, witness  
further witness to the sa  
and all of my family  
of my land, and all  
the property I have  
since the following 1.

Ex. 2

Southampton County  
This Deed of Truth, I  
was this day received and  
witnessed by me,

This Deed made the  
twenty five instant in  
view of the several persons  
of J. D. Pitts and the  
warranty that part of  
and bounded to Captain  
Wright by the land how  
described: To wit land of  
M. Edwards and Pitts  
land to the grantee, if  
grantee shall have qua  
titles and money for  
payment of the same.

Ex. 2

Southampton County to  
the State of Virginia  
there being no field in the  
my County aforesaid. 9

County of Southampton

in the State of Virginia  
and are signed to be for  
affixed before me in my  
front her husband, and to  
Henry J. D. Pitts, and  
she had willingly executed