

Exhibit 7
related to
Beaton

This Agreement entered into this the 6th day of March 1880 between W. M. Beaton, Walter Boone and S. S. Beaton Merchants and partners trading under the firm name of W. M. Beaton & Co. of one part, and Maddison Smith of the other part. Witnesseth: That whereas the said Maddison Smith is about to engage in the cultivation of the soil, and is desirous to obtain during the year 1880 advances, in supplies from the said W. M. Beaton & Co. to the amount of Seventy Five Dollars beyond which limit the Maddison Smith shall not go, and the said W. M. Beaton & Co. having on their part agreed to furnish the said advances Now the said Maddison Smith on his part in consideration of the above premises does hereby grant a Lien to the said W. M. Beaton & Co. upon two bales Cotton weighing Four Hundred and Fifty lbs each to grade not below low Middling which may be made during the year 1880 upon the Lands in cultivation of which the above amount of advances has been or was intended to have been expended. This lien is granted under an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 2 1878 entitled An Act to secure Advances for Agricultural Purposes.

Witness the following Signatures

Maddison Smith
W. M. Beaton
Walter Boone
S. S. Beaton

Virginia, Southampton County, To Wit:
I David H. Kindred a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that W. M. Beaton, Walter Boone, S. S. Beaton and Maddison Smith whose names are signed to the within Writing bearing date March 6th. 1880 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 6th day of March 1880

David H. Kindred J. P.

Southampton County, In the Clerk's Office March 15th 1880
This Writing between W. M. Beaton and Co. and Maddison Smith was this day received and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record

Test:

S. R. Edwards C. C.