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Nicholas born in the eleventh month one thousand seven hundred
and seventy five whom I have heretofore held as Slaves but being
of Opinion that it is my duty to do by others as I would be done by
Therefore I do hereby emancipate and set free the said Robin
Cromwell Venus Celis and Rachel and I do for myself my heirs
Executors and Administrators hereby relinquish all my right title
Interest and Claim or pretention of Claim whatsoever either to
their persons or to any estate they may hereafter acquire the above
named Robin Cromwell and Venus Celis Rachel and their posterity
to enjoy their full freedom without any interruption from me
or any person claiming for by or under me saving to myself my
heirs and assigns the Care and direction of the above named Cromwell
and Rachel until they shall arrive to lawful age In Witness whereof
I have herewith set my hand and seal this Twelfth day of the
second month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and eighty three

Sealed and Delivered
In presence of
Shadrach Lewis

William Scott

Benjamin Deal

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 12th day of Feb^r
1783 This Deed for the emancipation of sundry Slaves
therein mentioned was proved by the Oaths of Shadrach
Lewis and Benjamin Deal witnesses thereof and ordered
to be Recorded

Nicholas
Cobb
Shadrach
Cobb

This Indenture made this tenth day of October in the
year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and eighty &
eight between Nicholas Cobb of Montross County in the state of
North Carolina of the one part and Shadrach Cobb of Southampton
County Virginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said
Nicholas Cobb for and in Consideration of the just and full
Sum of five Shillings Current money of Virginia by the
Shadrach Cobb to him in hand paid before the sealing &
delivery of these presents the receipt whereof the said Nicholas
Cobb doth hereby acknowledge but more especially for