

begetter of his body but if not, the said Tract or parcel of Land here to return to the said Benjamin Newsum, lying and being in the county of Southampton containing by estimation, two hundred and eighty six acres more or less and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at a pine by the side of the ready branch, then South Twenty nine Degrees East sixty two poles to a pine in James Poyes line then by the sd Poyes line East sixty six poles to a corner Tree in James Barnes Land, thence along his line North Eighty Six degrees East one hundred and sixty three poles to a white oak G. S. Gordons line thence along his line North one and half degrees East Sixty six poles to a pine, thence North Twelve degrees East & fifty four poles to a white oak in Jocke Newsums line thence along the various Courses of the said Newsums line to the head of a Branch down the said Branch to the mouth of the said branch to a gum thence a straight line to a pine in Williams Edwards line then by the sd Edwards line to a tree back by the side of the Ready Branch aforesaid thence up the River of the said Branch to the beginning. To have and to hold, the said granted, and promises, with all the profits privileges Conveniences and Appertinances therunto belonging, or in any use appertaining to him the said Thomas Newsum his heirs and assigns as above mentioned. To him & his only proper use and behoof, and the said Benjamin Newsum as for himself, his heirs Executors and Administrators Covenant & agree that Inwarrant and forever defend the right & title of the said Tract or parcel of land unto the said Thomas Newsum and to his heirs & assigns forever, against the lawful claims or demands of any persons only as above mentioned. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day above

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in presence of
John Day
Thomas Newsum Senr

Ben^{ly} Newsum
Mark

To court held for the county of Southampton the 20th day
of August 1798 This deed of gift was acknowledged by Thomas
Newsum party hants and ordered to be recorded

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