

Ex^{co}. Martha Herring have by their certain Indenture of bargain and sale the 22^d day of October One Thousand seven hundred & twenty Eight. Conveyed unto Charles Bailey of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in Three hundred & three & one half^s Acres of Land, with the appurtenances lying and being in the County aforesaid, and whereas the said Martha Herring cannot conveniently travel to the Court of our said County of Southampton to acknowledge the same, therefore we do give you power to receive the acknowledgment which the said Martha Herring shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed And we do therefore command you to go personally to the said Martha Herring and examine her privately & apart from her H^{er} Husband and receive the acknowledgment which she shall be willing to make before you & whether she hath executed the said deed freely & voluntarily without the Ex^{co} persuasion or threats of her husband, and whether she is willing the said Indenture should be recorded in the Court of our said County of Southampton, and when you have examined her as aforesaid & taken her acknowledgment of the said Indenture, that you distinctly & openly testify us thereof under your hands & Seals returning to us also this writ bearing Samuel Kello Clerk of our said Court at his Office this 7th day of October 1798 in the 25th year of our said Majesty

Southampton County Sec^y

Sam^l Wells Esq

Ex^{co}. In obedience to this Commission to us directed we have personally gone to Martha Herring wife to Elias Herring & examined her privately and apart from her husband whether she hath freely & voluntarily without the persuasion or threats of her husband executed the annexed Indenture & whether she be willing the same should be recorded & so testify that she acknowledged the same was executed by her without the persuasion or threats of her husband & that she is willing the same should be recorded - Given under our hands & Seals this 22^d day of October 1798

John Uguhart Esq
Ch Bailey Esq

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 20th day of May 1799 - This Indenture was prov^d by the oaths of John Uguhart & Ch Bailey two Magistrates and having been before prov^d by Mr Bailey another witness, and with the Commission then there of returned and ordered to be recorded - Sam^l Wells Esq