

the said Exrs the said Land & premises with the appurtenances
 unto the sd John Ricks his heirs Exrs & adms rassigns a-
 gainst all persons claiming any part or parcel of the same
 shall & will warrant & forever defend. In witness whereof
 the sd Exrs hath hereunto set their hands & seals the Day & Year
 above written.

Signed Sealed & Delivered }
 In presence of us }
 William Turner, Beng: Garner Jr /
 James Garner

Peter Cox
 Catharine Garner
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Seal
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Halifax County } 18 August Court 1771

Then the aforesaid Deed was in open Court duly proved
 by the oath of William Turner a witness thereto & on mo-
 tion ordered to be registered.

Test:

Jos Montfort. to Et.

In witness This Indenture made the fourth day of June in the Year of our
 Lord One Thousand seven hundred & seventy one, Between John Melton
 & Rebacher Powell of Halifax County in the Province of North Carolina of the one part
 and Rebacher Powell of the County & Province aforesd of the other
 part, Witnesseth that he the said John Melton for & in consideration
 of the natural love & affection which he hath & beareth unto the
 said Rebacher Powell, as also for the the better maintenance
 Livelyhood & profit of her the sd Rebacher Powell hath given
 granted aliened Enfeoffed & confirmed, and by these presents doth
 give grant alien Enfeoff & confirm unto the sd Rebacher Powell
 her heirs rassigns A Plantation or tract of Land situate, lying
 & being on the South side of Roanoke River in Halifax County
 aforesaid, near Plum Tree Island, it being the upper part of
 a tract of Land Granted to John Cotton by patent for five
 hundred & eighty acres bearing date the first Day of
 March 1719 And transferred by the said John Cotton to
 Bearly Melton as by his due record in Berliz Office may
 be by Melton transferred to the sd