

To all people, to whom these presents shall come Greeting
 Know ye, that I William Whitford of the County of Craven
 in North Carolina Schoolmaster, for & in consideration of the sum
 of Twenty pounds to me in hand, by Thomas Whitford, of the aforesaid
 County Planter, before the Enscaling hereof, the Rec^d. whereof, I
 do acknowledge, & my self thereof, & of every part & parcel thereof
 am satisfied and contented, do acquit & discharge the said Thomas
 Whitford, his heirs & Admin^{rs}. for ever, by these presents have given
 granted, bargained, sold, aliened conveyed & confirmed unto him the
 said Thomas Whitford, his heirs & assigns for ever, One my Image
 or Tract of Land, situate, lying & being in the County of Craven
 aforesaid, on the North side of Upper broad Creek, on the North side
 of New River, containing One hundred & thirty five Acres, bound
 viz. from the upper part of the reedy Branch, to the upper line
 of the Patent; It being part of a greater quantity, granted by
 Patent in the year 1748. To have, and to hold the said granted
 and bargained premises, with all the appurtenances, privileges,
 & Commodities, to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining
 to him the said Thomas Whitford, his heirs & assigns for ever,
 to his & their proper use, benefit, & behoof for ever, & the said
 William Whitford for me, my heirs, Exec^{rs}. & Admin^{rs}. do cove-
 nant, promise grant, to and with the said Thomas Whitford his
 heirs & assigns, that before the enscaling hereof, I am the Law-
 full Owner of the above bargained premises, & am Lawfully
 possessed by Patent, as my own proper right, as a good perfect
 and absolute Estate, of Inheritance in Fee Simple, & have
 in my self good right, full power & lawful Authority to grant
 bargain, sell, convey & confirm the said bargained premises above
 said; & the said Thomas Whitford his heirs & assigns shall, and
 may from time to time, & at all times hereafter, for ever, by force
 and virtue of these presents, Lawfully, peaceably & quietly have,
 hold, occupy, possess & enjoy the said devised & bargained prem-
 ises with the appurtenances free & clear, & freely & clearly acquitted
 and discharged of, from all & all manner of other Gifts, grants,
 bargains, Sales, Leases, Wills, Intails, Joyntures, Dowers, Judg-
 ments, extents, executions or Incumbrances; further more, the
 said William Whitford for my self, my heirs, Exec^{rs}. & Admin^{rs}.
 do covenant & engage the above devised premises, to him the
 Thomas Whitford, his heirs & assigns, against the lawful Claims
 or

or Demands of any person, or persons, do warrant & defend. The Quit Rents only excepted to the King: Signed, Sealed, & delivered in presence of us, this Twenty eighth day of March in the year 1748:

Christ. Dawson.

John Hartley.

W. B. Whitford.

William Whitford

June Court, 1748. Then the foregoing Deed of Sale, was acknowledged in open Court, & Registered:

To all people to whom these presents shall come Greeting.

I know ye, that I William Whitford of the County of Craven in North Carolina, Schoolmaster, for and in consideration of the sum of seventeen pounds to me in hand paid by Christopher Dawson of the afs. County Planter, before the Enscaling hereof, the Receipt whereof, I do acknowledge, & my self thereof: & of every part, & parcel thereof, am satisfied & contented: do acquit, & discharge the S. Christopher Dawson, his heirs & Admin^{rs} for ever; by these presents, have given granted, bargained, & sold, aliened, conveyed & confirmed unto him the said Christopher Dawson, his heirs & assigns for ever, One Messuage, or Tract of Land, situate, lying, & being in the County of Craven afs. on the North side of the upper Broad Creek, on the N. Side of Newe River, containing one hundred Acres, be the same more or less, & bounded Viz^t. beginning, at the mouth of a Branch below my Plantation, & running up the Branch, by a Line of marked Trees, to the Line, & down the Line, to the beginning, at the mouth of Sumpting Branch; It being part, of a greater quantity, granted by Patent in the year 1748; To have & to hold, the said granted, & bargained premises, with all the appurtenances, priviledges, & commodities, to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining, to him the S. Christopher Dawson, his heirs & assigns for ever; to his & their only proper use, benefit & behoof for ever; And the said William Whitford for me, my heirs, Execl^{rs} & Admin^{rs} do covenant, promise & grant, to & with the said Christopher Dawson, his heirs & assigns, that before the Enscaling hereof, I am the Lawful Owner of the above bargained premises, & am Lawfully possessed by Patent, as my own proper right, as a good, perfect, & absolute Estate of Inheritance, in fee simple

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