

Gower and Synmes  
 To  
 William T. Shumate

Deed

The State of South Carolina  
 Whereas, on the eighteenth day  
 of May A.D. 1874, Emma M.  
 Westfield and Whitner Synmes Plaintiffs exhibited  
 their Complaint for relief, &c. in the Court of Common Pleas  
 for the County of Greenville and State aforesaid, against  
 Thomas M. Cox, Thomas G. Gower, William Binnie and  
 others defendants wherein amongst other things, it was  
 alleged that one John Westfield now deceased, on the  
 day of A.D. 1873 sold and conveyed to the Plaintiff  
 Whitner Synmes and Thomas M. Cox and Thomas G. Gower  
 the defendants, and to one James Binnie, also now deceased, an  
 undivided four (4-5) fifths interest in and to certain Real Estate  
 in and around the City of Greenville, in the County and State  
 aforesaid, and more particularly described in the deed of Convey-  
 ance of that date; and on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1873 the  
 said John Westfield, agreed to sell to the firm of Cox, Binnie & Co.  
 which was composed of himself, and other parties last above named,  
 certain other lots pieces or parcels of land in and near the said City  
 of Greenville, and County and State aforesaid, and were particularly  
 described in said agreement; and that the said parties who were inter-  
 ested in the land above mentioned, in order to facilitate the sale  
 and transfer of said lands, had agreed to and amongst others themselves  
 to convey all of the said lands in trust, to two of their number  
 to sell and divide the proceeds of sale amongst the parties, according  
 to their respective interests; and prayed amongst other things that  
 these matters might be inquired into, and if found advisable  
 to carry out the said agreement in reference to a trust deed  
 that a suitable trust deed be reported together with some suitable  
 person or persons to act as trustee or trustees; and whereas, upon the  
 said cause being heard, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1874 it was refer-  
 red to a special referee to report on the various matters embraced in  
 the pleadings in said cause, and upon the report of said Special  
 Referee coming in, containing the various recommendations there-  
 in more fully set forth, it was on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1874  
 amongst other things, ordered that Whitner Synmes and Thomas  
 G. Gower be appointed trustees, to whom William A. McDaniel, Clerk  
 of the said Court, should convey the said lands  
 to have and to hold the same, to, for and upon the purposes  
 uses and trusts, as set forth and declared in the deeds refer-  
 red by the said Referee and whereas, the said William A. McDaniel  
 Clerk as aforesaid, did convey the lands mentioned  
 in the pleadings to the said Trustees and whereas the said  
 Trustees were ordered to convey the lots heretofore sold by the  
 parties upon the purchaser complying with the terms of sale  
 now therefore known all men by these presents that we Thomas  
 G. Gower and Whitner Synmes Trustees as aforesaid by virtue  
 of the powers conferred upon us in and by the order and trust  
 deed aforesaid and in performance of our duty, as such trustee  
 and also in consideration of the sum of Five hundred and  
 eight Dollars to us paid by William T. Shumate one of the