

State of South Carolina,  
County of Greenville.

Whereas, William Bates, late of said County and State, executed and delivered to his daughter, Mary Hill a certain deed of conveyance, bearing date the 15th. day of October, A.D. 1869, and recorded in the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyances for said State and County on the 16th. day of October 1869, in Book "BB" of deeds, at page 492, and thereby conveyed to the said Mary Hill for life and at her death to such children as might survive her and to the child or children of such of her children as might predecease her, leaving children living at the time of the death of the said Mary Hill a certain tract of land situate in said County and State, on both sides of Brock's Creek, branch waters of Reedy River, containing one hundred and eighty-one and one-fourth ( $181\frac{1}{4}$ ) acres, more or less, and fully described by courses and distances in said deed;

And, whereas, it was the intention of the said William Bates that said tract of land should go to the issue of the said Mary Hill and their heirs and assigns in fee simple; but through inadvertence or mistake the said deed was obscure and doubtful in its wording and said obscurity has cast a cloud upon the title of said property, which cloud it is now desired to remove therefrom;

And, whereas, Mamie Hill Barber and Charles B. Hill, the children of the said Mary Hill conveyed the said tract of land to J.E. Thackston by a deed bearing date the 28th. day of October, 1905, and recorded in the said office on the day of its date in Book "000" of deeds, at page 747;

And, whereas, the said William Bates departed this life intestate, leaving as his sole heirs at law and distributees his Widow, Mary Bates, who subsequently died intestate and without having remarried, and his children Harris B. Bates, Mrs. D. Jane <sup>William Bates</sup> Hammett, Ace Bates and the said Mrs. Mary Hill and the said Harris B. Bates having thereafter died intestate, leaving as his heirs at law and distributees, his widow, Mrs. Margaret Bates (who subsequently died intestate and without having remarried) and his three children William Bates, Marvin Bates and Harris B. Bates, of whom William Bates and Marvin Bates died intestate, unmarried and childless, and Harris B. Bates is still living; and the said Mrs. D. Jane Hammett having died on or about the 18th. day of May A.D. 1902, leaving of full force and effect her last will and testament, bearing date the 22nd. day of December, A.D. 1899, and admitted to Probate by the Probate Court for Greenville County in said State, on the 20th. day of May, A.D. 1902, and now on file in the office of said Court, in apartment 71, file 48; by which will and testament she provided that all of her real and personal estate should be divided among her children, share and share alike; the said Mrs. D. Jane Hammett having left the following children surviving at the time of her death to wit: Mrs. Bettie H. Orr, Mrs. Mary E. Henry, William H. Hammett, Thomas C. Hammett, Edwin P. Hammett, James D. Hammett, and George P. Hammett, of whom the said Thomas C. Hammett subsequently died intestate, unmarried and childless, leaving as his heirs at law and distributees his brothers and sisters hereinabove named, all of whom are now living; and the said William Bates (the second) having died intestate and without having had children, and leaving as his sole heirs at law and distributees his brothers and sisters hereinabove named and his widow Mrs. Nellie Bates, who is still living; and the said Ace Bates having died intestate, unmarried and childless, leaving as his sole heirs at law and distributees his brothers and sisters hereinabove named. X

Now, therefore, know all men by these presents, that I, the said Nellie Bates, one of the heirs at law and distributees of the said William Bates, deceased, in consideration of the premises and in further consideration of the sum of one dollar (1.00) to me in hand paid by the said J.E. Thackston at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) have granted, bargained, sold, released and quitclaimed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, release and forever quitclaim unto the said J.E. Thackston all my right, title, interest, estate, claim and demand whatsoever, both at law and in equity, in and to the tract of land hereinabove described