

Patent bearing date the seventeenth day of September 1793 Beginning at a Spanish Oak corner running thence N. 45 W. 46 Chains 50 links to a white pine ^{thence} N. 33 W. 5 chains to a Sallee wood thence N. 35 W. 25 a chain to a hickory by dogwood thence N. 70 E thence a long said line to a Chestnut corner a conditional corner a gum on by said Richard and Jonathan thence a conditional line a crop to tract of land till it strikes the lower line next to the fall Branch to a chestnut Oak a conditional corner a gum on by sd Richard and Jonathan thence S. 75 W. to the beginning containing one hundred and ninety four acres more or less Together with all and singular the rights members hereditaments and appurtenances belonging or in any wise incident or appertaining to have and to hold all and singular the premises as sd unto the said John Ward his heirs and assigns for ever and I do hereby bind myself my heirs Executors and administrators to warrant and for ever defend all and singular the premises as sd unto the said John Ward his heirs and assigns against myself my heirs Executors administrators or assigns and against all and singular the claim of every other person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof Witness my hand and seal this fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of (intertined before signed)

Almer Skins, Jonathan Ward
 South Carolina } Personally came before me one of the acting Justices
 Greenville District } Jonathan Ward & made oath that he saw George
 Ward sign seal & acknowledge the within conveyance unto John
 Ward for the purposes within mentioned & that Almer Skins
 was a subscribing witness to the due Execution of the same sworn to
 and subscribed to before me March 31st 1827
 W. Blasingame J. 2
 I Recorded for 5 day of April 1827
 Jonathan Ward

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 State of Carolina } Know all men by these presents that I
 Greenville District } Susannah McDowell of the State & District
 aforesaid for the inconsideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to me in hand
 paid by Wheaton Merritt of the same State & District aforesaid. I do Relinquish
 all my part & claim of the Estate of Benjamin Merritt late of Greenville District
 deceased Estate Both Real & personal to the said Wheaton Merritt adm^r on the
 Estate of Benjamin Merritt deceased. & his heirs & assigns for ever from me myself
 my heirs Executors administrators & assigns for ever. In witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand & seal this 20th day of April 1813.
 Thomas Merritt, Stephen Philips
 Susannah McDowell

State of North Carolina } Personally appeared Stephen Philips before me Soak Henslee
 Buncombe County } one of the acting Justices of the Peace for said County and
 maketh oath in due form of law and saith on his oath that he saw Susannah
 McDowell assign and deliver this settlement between her self of the one part and
 Wheaton Merritt of the other and the said Susannah McDowell assigned the within
 for the purposes mentioned within and he witnessed the same March the 7th 1827
 S. Henslee J. P. I Recorded for 14 March 1827
 Stephen Philips