

John M. Mear.

State North Carolina

Know all men by this present that I John Mear have bargained sold & delivered in plain and open market unto James Mear of the County a Negro man named Tom for the consideration of one hundred pounds open to me in hand paid by the said Mear before the sealing and delivering of said bargain writing which said Negro I warrant and forever defend from myself and every other person whomsoever as witness my hand & seal this 20th day of May 1787. in presence of us

Andrew Gibson

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John Mear

Orange County May 20th 1787

The execution of the above Bill of Sale was duly acknowledged in open Court and ordered to be Recorded

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I Matthew Shepherd of Orange County esq. In consideration of one hundred and seventy pounds to me in hand paid by John Williams esq. of Chatham County at & before the sealing and delivering of these presents the said John Williams acknowledged and thereof do acquit release and defend forever unto John Williams his heirs Executors and administrators for ever to have full use and enjoyment of the said land and deliverance and by these presents do bargain sell and deliver unto the said John Williams his Executors Administrators and assigns two Negro women an Slave named Mary (old) and one young girl named Anne the daughter of the said Mary which said child the age of three years and the said John Williams do for himself his heirs Executors and assigns in body warrant the said Slave hereunto written to be the said John Williams his Executors Administrators and assigns forever to have and enjoy the said Slave and each of them as an Slave and to sell the said Slave and free from every kind of burden and full satisfaction of the said John Williams

and delivered my hand and seal upon the first day of March in the year 1787. in presence of the said John Williams and the said John Williams

A Deed of Gift from James Finnan of Orange County State of North Carolina to Robert Finnan his son To all persons whom it may concern. We do know that James Finnan of the State and County aforesaid for and in consideration of duty to me shown by my son Robert Finnan do think it proper to give and bequeath to and Robert Finnan my Great offshoot in which I now live and my Negro fellow Slave, but neither of these to be in his full possession till after my death. But after my death the same to be the property of of said Robert Finnan his heirs and assigns forever only I owe Robert Finnan at my death to pay the sum of thirty pounds to him it shall be left in my last Will and Testament in which Deed of Gift I do bind myself my heirs and assigns forever by these presents. Sealed with my seal here with my Seal and signed the fourth day of October 1787. Mr Robert Finnan is to have the whole benefit of the plantation and make what improvements he shall think proper his

Peter Jacob Lakey
M. Tate

James C. Finnan
son

Orange County February 9th 1788

The execution of the within Deed of Gift from James Finnan to Robert Finnan was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Peter Jacob Lakey and ordered to be Recorded.

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