Joseph Blake Esq. one of ye true & absolute Lords & Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina & Govern. of South Carolina

To all to whome these presents shall Come to be Seen Greeting

Know Ye That according to ye Directions of an Act of Parliament Entitulled an Act for Preventing of Frauds & Regulateing Abuses in the Plantation Trade made in the Kingdome of England Anno Regni Gulielmi tertij Regis Anglie Scotie, Francie & Hibernie Septimo & Decimo. On ye Twentieth day of March Anno Dom. 1697/8 Came and personally appeard before me Mr James Sanyarn one of ye Owners of ye Brigantine Called ye Endeavor, and made Oath that ye Brigantine Endeavor of Carolina whereof Robert Moore is at prest Master being a Brigantine of ye Burthen of Thirty Tunn was Built at New England in America in ye Year one Thousand six Hundred Nine and Six - - and that the Rt Hon.ble Joseph Blake Esq. Proprietor and Govern. as afores. and he the S. James Sanyarn of Carolina at ye prest Owners thereof, and that no Foreigner directly or indirectly hath any Share or Part or Interest therein In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand & Caused ye great Seal of ye Province to be Affixed this Twentieth day of March Anno Dom. 1697/8

Joseph Blake

Carolina ss Know all Men by these Presents That I Joseph Blake Esq. one of the true and absolute Lords & Proprietors & Govern. of South Carolina & one of the Owners of the Brigantine within mentioned Do Acknowledge & Declare that I have bargained & Sold for a valuable Consideration one Third part of ye S.d Brigantine unto William Dry of Charles Town in ye S.d Province Merch.t who is a natural born Subject of his Majesty of great Britain In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand this Twentieth day of March Anno Dom. 1698

Joseph Blake

Henry Plowden
Jos. Crosby
Jos. Blake



Barbados 7th Novemb.r 1694

Mr Robert Fenwick

Sr Yours I Rec.d with 90 Curr.t money and Sorry cannot Comply with all ye Orders having Sent ye Iron-Ware and a Negro woman but for Negramen such as you Write for. I Lately was Concerned in a Sale where they were Sold from 30 to 40. Boys at 21 here is now a Ship from Guinea with 350 Negros ye Sale to Morrow if any Commyworth to be had I will Buy them. The Negro woman wants nothing but Cuchening to Make her a serviceable House Negro. You have ye Cost at Root being £31.1.6 I Hope Mr Mullings is well with you. I am this day Informed he went well from Cowaso some Time since. If any sort of Dry Goods will Turn to an Acc.t I will give you a Supply on my own Acc.t or in Partnership as you shall Direct and if any Negros to be had reasonable shall Buy them as Opportunity Offers. My hearty Respects & Service to Mr Perpoint & next I intend to write him in the mean time tell I Doubt Mr Norton is gone to Receive the Fruits of his Labours wch have Pedled very much to Gods Glory here from thence we have Cause to Hope y tho not of Merrit yet of Grace he shall have full Reward. This goes ye way of Bermudas so that I Hope in a little time after this Comes to ye Hands you may Hear further from me. all our Commodities at present are soo dear Sugar 25s ye C.t Molls 13s ye Gall Rum 2s ye Gall in four Months I Hope may Buy for Halfe & less than halfe yt Price I shall not Enlarge at ye prest but that I am

Sr Yr Humble Servt

Jona Willis

1694

To Mr Robt Fenwick Merch.t in Carolina

Recorded day ye 25th 1690