

To all to whom these Presents shall come I William Prof of the County  
of Hardy in the Province of Carolina Greeting.

Whereas William Earle of Crown Palatine, & the rest of the Lords and  
absolute Proprietors of the Province of Carolina, by their deed or Grant  
under the Great Seal for that Purpose appointed, bearing date the  
Eighth day of May 1683. Did Grant unto Peter Kern one Town  
Lott In Charles Town: distinctively known in the Modell of the Said  
Town by n<sup>o</sup>. Numbered (77<sup>th</sup>) & sitting and bounding as appears by a Certificate  
Hereof, to the S<sup>t</sup>. Grant amised, offering & paying therefor to the true and  
absolute Lords & Proprietors yearly and every year after the rate of one  
Penny of Lawfull money of England or the value thereof p<sup>r</sup>. acre,  
As in and by the Said Deed or Grant, Reference being thereunto had doth  
or may more fully and at Large appear. And W<sup>h</sup>ence the Said Peter Kern  
in his Lifetime viz. on the Eighteenth day of December Anno Domini 1688. Did  
make his Last Will & Testament in Writing under his hand and Seal,  
and therein, & thereby did Give, Devise & Bequeath unto his wife Jane  
& his Several Children therein named, and all his Estate; both real  
and Personall whithin this Province or Elsewhere, and did likewise nominate  
and appoint his Said Wife Jane & his Several Children E<sup>x</sup>. of his Said Last Will &  
Testament, which now remain upon record in the Secretarys office of this  
Province Relation being thereunto had, doth & may appear. And whereas  
also by an act of Assembly Ratified at Charlestown aforesaid on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of January Anno Domini 1694/5 James Witter & Edward Drake are authorized  
& Empowered to Allocate & make Sale of the above mentioned Town Lott,  
together with all the Houses, Buildings, fences, Ways, wells, water Courses,  
and all other Appurtenances, Priviledges and Immunities whatsoever  
thereupon Standing, or thereunto belonging to him or them that  
will give most for the Same As in and by the Said Act of  
Assembly doth & may appear. And whereas the Said James  
Witter & Edward Drake, by Virtue of the above recited Power,  
Did by their Deed of Bargain & Sale under their Hands & Seals,  
bearing date the Eighteenth day of January Anno Domini 1694/5 for  
and in consideration of one hundred pounds Sterl, full freely  
& absolutely, Give Grant Bargain, and Sell all Singular the Town  
Lott above mentioned, together with all and Singular the Houses,  
Edifices, Building, and the Rights, members, Immunities &  
Priviledges to the Said Town Lott, belonging, or in any wise  
Appertaining unto the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. Joseph Blate Esq<sup>r</sup>. to have & to hold,  
the Said Town Lott, and Premises to him the Said Joseph Blate, his heirs, and Assigns  
forever. As in and by their the Said James Witter and Edward Drake. Deed  
of Bargain and Sale both and may appear. And whereas the Said

Joseph Rolfe by his certain Writing, or Deed of Sale, under his  
 Hand and Seal bearing date, the third day of June Anno Dom: 1695,  
 did give, Grant, Bargain and Sell unto me the said William Dry the town Hall  
 aforesaid (no. 16) to have and to hold the said town Hall unto me the said William Dry  
 my Heirs and Assigns forever, with and by this the said Joseph Rolfe, Deed of  
 Bargain and Sale, Registered in the Registers Office, North & may more fully and at large  
 Appear. Now Knowe Me that & the said William Dry for and in Consideration of the  
 full & just sum of Sixty and five Pounds Curr. money of this Province to me  
 in hand and before the Executing and Ratifying of these Presents by William  
 Rhett of the town and Province aforesaid Merchant, well and truly Satisfied &  
 paid, the Receipt, whereof, & the said William Dry do hereby acknowledge and  
 thereof, and of Every part thereof, do acquit and discharge the S. William  
 Rhett his Heirs, Executors and Administrators by these Presents have  
 him Granted, Bargained, Sold, Aliened, Enfeoffed, Conveyed, Conferred,  
 Assigned, and Sett over. And by these Presents, do fully truly and  
 Absolutely give, Grant, Bargain, Sell, Alien, Enfeoff, Convey, Convey,  
 Assign and Sett over unto the said William Rhett all that moiety  
 or half part of the town Hall aforesaid (no. 15) Cutting & bounding to  
 the East upon the wharfe on Cooper River, to the North on land belonging to Mary  
 Grace Widew, to the South upon the other moiety or half part of the town  
 Hall aforesaid, and to the West upon a little Street there, Together with  
 all and singular the Buildings, Ways, Paths, Passages, Waters, Wells  
 Water Courses, Profits, Easements, Commodities, Priviledges & appurtenances  
 whatsoever. As the said moiety or half part of the town Hall aforesaid, now  
 standing, having or being, or to the same or any part thereof belonging, or in  
 any wise appertaining, to have, and to hold the said moiety or half part  
 of the town Hall aforesaid, and all and every the Prebargained Premises, w<sup>th</sup> their  
 and every of their appurtenances unto the said William Rhett, his Heirs and  
 Assigns to his & their own proper use, benefit & behoof for Ever. He or they  
 Building and Paying thereon to the Palatine, and the Rest of the Lords and absolute  
 Proprietors from time to time, the Quit Rent that shall grow due to them for  
 the same. And the said William Dry for my self, my Heirs Ex<sup>rs</sup> and adm<sup>rs</sup> &  
 every of them do covenant, Grant, Promise and Agree, to and with the said William  
 Rhett his Heirs and Assigns in manner and form following, (that is to say)  
 that he the said William Rhett his Heirs and Assigns, shall and may from time  
 to time, and at all times hereafter peaceably and quietly, have, hold, use, Occupy,  
 Possess and Enjoy all and singular the said moiety or half part of the town  
 Hall aforesaid, & other Premises before bargained and sold and every part of the  
 w<sup>th</sup> their & every of their appurtenances, without the Lett, Suit, trouble, Molesta-  
 tion, eviction or Interruption of me the said William Dry: my Heirs Ex<sup>rs</sup> Adm<sup>rs</sup> or  
 Assigns, or of any other person, or Persons, claiming by from or under me,  
 them, or any of them, by any ways, means or Pretences w<sup>th</sup> Service. And also

that the Prebargained Premises, & their Appurtenances aforesaid, & every part  
 & parcel thereof now are free & clear, & so free time to time & at all times here-  
 after shall be free & cleared, saved & kept harmless by me, y<sup>e</sup>. J<sup>r</sup>. William Dry,  
 my heirs Ex<sup>rs</sup> & Adm<sup>rs</sup>. to him, y<sup>e</sup>. Said William Rhett, his heirs & Assignes of &  
 free, all & all manner of former or other gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales,  
 Jagatures, Deemes, Mortgage, Executions, Extents, Judgments, & of and from all  
 & all other charges & Incumbrances not before, the Rent Reserved & Payable to y<sup>e</sup>.  
 S<sup>r</sup>. Profits for y<sup>e</sup>. Service only & always Excepted. And Lastly that the S<sup>r</sup>. William  
 Dry, my heirs Ex<sup>rs</sup> & Adm<sup>rs</sup>. from time to time and at all times hereafter, at y<sup>e</sup>.  
 request & at y<sup>e</sup>. proper cost & charges of the S<sup>r</sup>. William Rhett his heirs &  
 Assignes shall & will do, make & Execute, or cause to be Done made & Executed  
 Such further & other Act & Acts, thing & things devise & devise In the <sup>Law</sup>  
 whatsoever for y<sup>e</sup>. further & better Avowry & Assuring y<sup>e</sup>. Prebargained Premises  
 & every part of them unto the Said William Rhett his heirs & Assignes, <sup>as</sup> by  
 the Said William Rhett his heirs & Assignes, or by his or their Council learned  
 In the Law shall be reasonably devised, advised, or required In Witness  
 whereof I the Said William Dry have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal  
 this Sixth day of November Anno Domini, One thousand Six hundred  
 Ninety & Six.

W<sup>m</sup>. Dry. 

See with Deed of Sale was Signed, Sealed & Delivered In the Presence of  
 George Brantley, Benjamin Pierpont, Henry Driggington

Memorandum, that on the Sixth day of Novem<sup>r</sup>. Anno Dom<sup>i</sup>. 1696 peaceably & quiet  
 possession being & Seizin of & in, y<sup>e</sup>. within Bargained Premises was given by  
 y<sup>e</sup>. within William Dry to Sarah Rhett wife of the within William  
 Rhett by Turp & Swigg to use of y<sup>e</sup>. said William Rhett. according to  
 the purport, true intent and meaning of the within Deed of Sale, In  
 the Presence of Benjamin Pierpont, George Brantley and  
 Henry Driggington.

Memorandum, On y<sup>e</sup>. 21<sup>st</sup> day of November 1696. Personally Appeared  
 before me John Buresford Esq<sup>r</sup>. One of His Majesty's Justices of y<sup>e</sup>. Peace  
 in South Carolina Doe<sup>t</sup>. George Brantley who made oath on y<sup>e</sup>.  
 Holy Evangelist, that he did see y<sup>e</sup>. within mentioned M<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Dry,  
 Sign Seal and Deliver y<sup>e</sup>. within Written Bill of Sale as his  
 Act & Deed, for y<sup>e</sup>. use within mentioned.

Capt. et Jurat. coram me,

John Buresford

Registered y<sup>e</sup>. 21<sup>st</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1696

J<sup>r</sup>. John Buresford Reg<sup>r</sup>