

**Deed, DE, Sussex, John Cirwithen to Caleb Cirwithen 1771**

**CALEB CIRWITEN** from **JOHN CIRWITEN**

THIS INDENTURE made the 25th day of December in the year of our Lord Christ 1771.

BETWEEN **JOHN CIRWITEN** of the county of Sussex from scratch, Yeoman, sometimes Carpenter, of the one part and **CALEB CIRWITEN** of the aforesaid county of Sussex on Delaware, Miller, of the other part.

WITNESSETH THAT whereas there is a certain tract or parcel of marsh any County aforesaid, on the west side of Delaware Bay in Prime Hook neck, surveyed the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1684, by virtue of a special warrant from the governor bearing date of ye 5<sup>th</sup> day of ye 5<sup>th</sup> month 1683 and confirmed unto **LUKE WATTSON** Sr. by patent bearing date the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month Anno Domini 1683 containing and laid out for 2000 acres of land and marsh and the aforesaid **LUKE WATTSON** have by his deed of sale duly perfected at a court held at Lewes for the county aforesaid on the 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1688 acknowledged, made over, and confirmed until a certain **WILLIAM PILES**, his heirs and assigns forever, part of the above said marsh as by the said deed may more at large appear, and the aforesaid **PILES**, for a valuable consideration to him in hand paid by **CALEB CIRWITEN** [Sr.] the elder of Sussex County aforesaid, hath by a deed of sale duly perfected bearing date the 10th day of August 1698 have acknowledged, made over, and confirmed recording to law unto the said **CALEB CIRWITEN** [Sr.] his heirs and assigns forever part of the aforesaid marsh, being 75 Acres more or less, as by said deed may more at large appear. And the aforesaid **CALEB CIRWITEN** [Sr.] in his last will and testament gives and bequeaths the above said marsh unto his son **CALEB CIRWITEN** [Jr.] his heirs of his body lawfully begotten and by a certain indenture bearing date the 4th day of November 1768. **JOHN CIRWITEN** [Sr.] the eldest son then living of the last named **CALEB CIRWITEN** [Jr.] recovered the above 75 Acres of marsh more or less at a court held at lose for the aforesaid county of Sussex on the 4th day of November 1768.

NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that the above said **JOHN CIRWITEN**, of Sussex County above said, for and in consideration of the sum of £20 current money of Pennsylvania to me in hand paid by the aforesaid **CALEB CIRWITEN**, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and do declare myself to be there with fully contented, satisfied, and paid and their of and every part and parcel thereof, I do clearly and absolutely acquit, exonerate, and discharge him, the said **CALEB CIRWITEN**, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever have given, granted, bargain, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do fully an absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, convey, and confirm unto him, the said **CALEB CIRWITEN**, brother to me, the said **JOHN CIRWITEN**, his heirs and assigns forever part of the last mentioned 75 Acres of marsh together with all the woods, under timber, timber, trees, and all other privileges, commodities, conveniences, and appurtenances whatsoever to use the same belonging or in any wise or sort appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid part of the aforesaid 75 Acres of marsh situated and being in the aforesaid county of Sussex and on the south side of Slaughter Creek butted and bounded as follow with:

Beginning at a corner marked Spanish oak by the marsh side supposed to be **JOHN BELLAMY**'s lower corner tree; so running from thence South 89½ degrees East 178 purchase to **AVERY DRAPER**'s corner red cedar post in the north side of a pond of water in **TILLS**' line; thence by the said **DRAPER**'s North 28 degrees east 107½ perches to another post of set **DRAPER**'s marsh

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by the side of Slaughter Creek and a bank of mud round it; thence up the said Slaughter's Creek binding with ye several water courses thereof until it intersects with ye line of **JOHN BELLAMY's**; thence by ye said **JOHN BELLAMY's** line home to ye first place of beginning or corner.

CONTAINING 44 acres of land in Marsh be at the same more or less contained within the above said butts and bounds.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid 44 acres of land in marsh and all other you premises and appurtenances unto ye aforesaid land and marsh belonging or in any wise or sort appertaining unto the said **CALEB CIRWITHE**n his heirs and executors, administrators, and assigns forever clear and free of and from the lawful claim or claims, title, titles, interest, property, or inheritance of me the said **JOHN CIRWITHE**n, my heirs, executors and administrators and of and from the lawful claim or claims of any manner of person or persons whatsoever claiming or to claim by, from, or under me, them, or any of them, or us shall and will warrant and forever defend by virtue of these presents the rents and services then due and be coming due and payable to the Lord or Lords of the fee or fees accepted.

In witness whereof I have herein to set my hand and seal affixed the day and year first above written.

**JOHN CIRWITHE**n {seal}

Sealed and signed and delivered in the presence of

**JOSEPH COLLINGS**  
**STRINGER TILNEY**

Sussex on Delaware

It was indeed was acknowledged in due form of law at a court of common pleas held at Lewes for the county of four said the 29th day of February 1772 by and unto the parties there in named.

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**JACOB KOLLOCK**, prothonotary

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