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To all people to whom these presents shall come, I **JONATHAN SMITH** of the state and county aforesaid send greeting. Know ye that I, the said **JONATHAN SMITH**, for and in consideration of the love, good will and affection which I have and bear towards my beloved sister in law, **LYDA MCCULLERS** of the state and county aforesaid and for divers other good causes and considerations, me hereunto mooring have given, granted, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do fully, clearly and absolutely give, grant, convey and confirm unto the said **LYDA MCCULLERS**, her heirs, executors, administrators or assigns one negro boy named HAMTON with all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claims and demand whatsoever of me the said **JONATHAN SMITH** in or to the gift hereby granted or my pull or claim thereof to have and to hold the above granted negro. With all the appurtenances to her the said **LYDA MCCULLERS** to the only proper use and behoof at her the said **LYDA MCCULLERS**, her heirs and assigns forever, from the first claim or claims of any person or persons whatsoever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1788.

**JONATHAN SMITH** {seal}

Signed, sealed and delivered in presents of }

**J. MCCULLERS**  
**HARDY BRYAN**