THIS INDENTURE made the 25th day of February in the 5th year of American independence and in the year of our Lord Christ 1780.

BETWEEN **WILLIAM ROSS** of Craven County and state of South Carolina have the one part and **JOHN BRIAN** of the county and state aforesaid of the other part.

WITNESSETH that the said **WILLIAM ROSS** for and in consideration of £3,000 current money of the aforesaid state to him in hand paid by the said **JOHN BRIAN** before the end ceiling and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof he does hereby acknowledge himself therewith fully satisfied, contented, and paid, hath given, granted, bargained, sold, conveyed, assigned, alienated, consigned and made over unto the said **JOHN BRIAN** his heirs and assigns forever, and by these presents doth fully, freely, and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, convey, assign, alienate, confirm and makeover unto the said **JOHN BRIAN**, his heirs and assigns, forever all that tract or parcel of land situate, laying and being in the state of South Carolina in the county of Craven and Camden District, formerly Mecklenburg County North Carolina, on a branch of Turkey Creek, including the Walnut Bottom.

Beginning at a red oak, ALEXANDER LOVE's corner, and runs with his line N 10 E 120 poles to a Spanish Oak, his other corner at MICHAEL MEGAROTY's [MICHAEL MCGARITY MCGARRITY] line; thence W 110 poles to be Red Oak; thence S 320 poles to a Red Oak S side of a small Creek; thence E 210 poles to a Red Oak, since to the beginning.

CONTAINING in the whole 400 acres of land more or less.

GRANTED to the said **WILLIAM ROSS** by virtue of his Majesty's patent bearing date the 26th day of October in the year of Our Lord 1767.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD on to him the said **JOHN BRIAN**, his heirs and assigns forever, all and singular the above-mentioned 400 acres of land and every part thereof together with all orchards, houses, fences, clearings, woods, under woods, waters, water courses, improvements, benefits, emoluments and advantages whatsoever their into belonging or in anywise appertaining to the aforesaid bargained premises unto the said JOHN BRIAN, his heirs and assigns forever. And that free and clear of any and from and all manner of persons claims or demands of persons a person claiming to the said bargained premises and the said WILLIAM ROSS does for himself, his errors, Executives scratched executive orders, administrators, and a signs Covenant and agree with the said JOHN BRIAN his heirs and assigns that he, the said JOHN BRIAN, his heirs and assigns, shell and May at any time from time to time and at all times so ever here after by force and virtue of these presents lawfully, peaceably, and quietly have, hold, use, occupy and enjoy, and possess all and singular the above bargained, granted, and alienated land and premises and that without the least let, endurance, molestation, or interruption of him the said WILLIAM ROSS his heirs or assigns or any other person whatsoever and that free and clear of all manner aforesaid encumbrances or troubles whatsoever except taxes or services to grow or become due to the state from the date hereof, and lastly that WILLIAM ROSS, his heirs, executors and administrators and a signs shall and will make good the land and premises unto the said JOHN BRIAN and to his heirs and a signs and peaceable possession and premises aforesaid hereby granted, bargain, and sold under the said **JOHN BRIAN** his heirs and assigns against all persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and defend by virtue of these presents.

In witness whereof the said ${\it WILLIAM\ ROSS}$ has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written

WILLIAM ROSS {seal}

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of us

THOMAS CARSON WILLIAM MCNABB

South Carolina Camden District

Memorandum that on the 25th day of February 1780 Thomas Carson personally appeared before me, **WILLIAM BRATTON**, Justice assigned to keep the peace inside district and made oath that he was present and saw **WILLIAM ROSS** sign, seal, and acknowledge that within instrument of writing to **JOHN BRIAN** for the use and purposes there in mentioned and that **WILLIAM MCNABB** was a subscribing witness with him.

THOMAS CARSON

Sworn to the day above written.

WILLIAM BRATTON, JP

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