

Deed, DE, Sussex, LUKE, ELISA, PRISCILLA DONOVAN to SOMERSET REED, 1828

Deed to **SOMERSET REED** from **LUKE DONOVAN** and wife and [**PRECILA**] **PRISCILLA DONOVAN**

THIS INDENTURE made this twenty seventh day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and twenty eight.

BY AND BETWEEN **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELISA [DONOVAN]**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** (widow of **FOSTER DONOVAN**, deceased) of Broadkiln Hundred, County of Sussex and sate of Delaware of the one part and **SOMERSET REED** of the hundred, county and state aforesaid of the other part.

WITNESSETH that the said **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELISA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** (widow) for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of American in hand paid, or secured to be paid, by the said **SOMERSET REED** before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof the said **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELIZA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** doth hereby acknowledge and is therewith fully satisfied, contented, and paid hath granted, bargained, sold and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, enfeoff, release and confirm to the said **SOMERSET REED**, him, his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract, piece or parcel of land and improvements known by the name of Bundkin's Folly in the hundred, county and state aforesaid, butts and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a Red Oak standing on a ridge called Lone Pine Ridge; thence N 76½ degrees E 53½ perches to a Gum on the NW side of a marsh; thence N 24 degrees E 95¾ perches to a Gum standing on the edge of Mirey Gully; thence N 45 degrees W 42 perches to a Red Oak; thence N 88 degrees W 36 perches to a White Oak on the south side of a swamp; thence S 73 degrees W 50½ perches to a Red Oak; thence due W 53½ perches to a White Gum in Mirey Gully; thence S 33¾ degrees 139 perches home to the place of beginning.

Containing 82 acres and 13 perches of land, be the same, more or less.

Reference to a deed from **HENRY HATTEN** to **FOSTER DONOVAN** dated the 15th October A. D. 1818 will more fully appear and left to the said **LUKE DONOVAN** by the last will and testament of **FOSTER DONOVAN**, late of Sussex County, deceased.

To have and to hold the above described land and improvements unto him the said **SOMERSET REED**, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever, with all and singular the buildings, ways, woods, rights, liberties, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and reversions and remainder, rents, issues and profits whatsoever of them, the said **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELISA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** (widow) except the present crop. And the said **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELISA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** (widow) do covenant and agree that the aforesaid tract of land hereby granted.

And every part and parcel thereof against the lawful claims of any person claiming from, by, or under them will warrant and forever defend unto him, the said **SOMERSET REED**, his heirs and assigns forever.

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In witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

LUKE DONOVAN {seal}
ELIZA DONOVAN {seal, her x mark}
PRICILLA DONOVAN {seal, her x mark}

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

P. HALL
S. HURT [L. Hurt]

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The State of Delaware

Be it remembered that on the 27th day of September in the year of our Lord 1828 personally appeared before us, the subscribers, two of the justices of the peace for said County of Sussex, **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELIZA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN** the grantors named in the named in the above and foregoing indenture and they, the said **LUKE DONOVAN** and **ELISA**, his wife, and **PRISCILLA DONOVAN**, severally acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, respectively, and desired it might be recorded as such and we further certify that on the day and year aforesaid the said **ELIZA DONOVAN**, being privately examined by us, separate and apart from her said husband and out of his hearing and she, the said **ELIZA** did declare and say that she signed, sealed and delivered the within indenture freely and willingly without the fear compulsion or ill usage of her said husband or fear of his displeasure.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands the day ad year aforesaid.

P. HALL
S. HURT

The within deed was lodged in the recorders office for Sussex County on the 13th of May 1829.

G. A. EWING, recorder, S. C.

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