

**Deed, NC, Mecklenburg, WILLIAM WATSON to JOHN ROSS, 1767**

THIS INDENTURE made the 22nd day of January in the year of Our Lord 1767 between **WILLIAM WATSON** and **VIOLET [BARRY WATSON]** his wife of the county of Mecklenburg in the province of North Carolina, planter, of the one part and **JOHN ROSS** of the county and Province aforesaid, planter, on the other part.

WITNESSETH THAT for and in consideration of the sum of £80 current money of North Carolina in hand paid by the said **JOHN ROSS** at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt where of the said **WILLIAM WATSON** does hereby acknowledge and thereof doth acquit and forever discharge the said **JOHN ROSS**, his heirs, executors, administrators by these presents the said **WILLIAM WATSON** have given, granted, bargain, sold, aliened, released and confirmed and by these presents does give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, release and absolutely confirm unto the said **JOHN ROSS** in his actual possession now being by virtue of bargain and sale to him there of made by the said **WILLIAM WATSON** for one whole year by indenture bearing the date the day before the date of these presents and by force of the statutes for transferring uses into possession and to him, his heirs and assigns forever all that tract, peace, or parcel of land containing by estimation 400 acres to be the same, more or less, situate, lying, and being in the county of Mecklenburg in the said Province on the main Fork of Turkey Creek joining **GEORGE DAVISON's** and **RICHARD [BARRY] BERRY's** lines.

Beginning at a White Oak on **DAVISON's** line and runs along his Line S 34 W 16 poles to a Hickory; thence S 55 E 148 poles to a Black Oak; thence S 200 W 140 poles to a pine; thence S 80 W 178 poles to a Black Oak; thence N 23 E 150 two poles to a Black Oak; thence N 23 E 32 poles to a stake on **BERRY's** line; thence along his line to the beginning.

N. B. said lands being granted to the said **WILLIAM WATSON** buy a patent bearing date the 30th day of October in the year of Our Lord 1765.

AND all houses, buildings, orchards, gardens, enclosures, improvements, woods, trees, ways, waters, water courses, profits, commodities, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining and reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, profits thereof and also all right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever within the law or equity of him the said **WILLIAM WATSON** of, in, or to said premises and all deeds, records, evidences, and writings touching or and anywise concerning the same.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said described tract or parcel of land and all and singular other the premises hereby granted and released in any way part and parcel and member thereof with their and every of their appertinence has unto the said **JOHN ROSS** his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him, the said **JOHN ROSS** and of his heirs and assigns forever, to and for no other use, intent, or purpose whatsoever.

AND the said **WILLIAM WATSON** for himself makes his heirs, executors or administrator doth covenant, promise and agree to and with the said **JOHN ROSS** is heirs, executors or administrators and assigns by these presents that the said **WILLIAM WATSON** now at the time of sealing and delivery of these presents is seized of a good, sure, and perfect estate of inheritance in fees simple of and in these premises hereby granted and released and that he has not heretofore committed or suffered any act or matter act matter cause or thing whatsoever here by the said 400 acres of land hereditaments and premises or any part or parcel or member thereof are, is, shall or may be impeached charged or encumbered in title, charge, is state or otherwise howsoever by any person or persons whomsoever.

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AND that the said **WILLIAM WATSON** hath good power and lawful authority to grant and convey the same to the said **JOHN ROSS** his heirs and assigns in manner and form of force and that the said premises are now free and clear and freely and clearly acquitted and discharged and from all former and other gifts, grants, bargains, seals, dowers and titles of dower, mortgages, interest, arrearages, judgments, executions, titles, troubles, charges, and encumbrances whatsoever prior to the date hereof (the quit rents and services to grow and become do and payable to our sovereign lord the king by said **JOHN ROSS** from the date aforesaid) for and in respect of the said premises only accepted and four prized and further that the said **WILLIAM WATSON** and his heirs and assigns against the said **WILLIAM WATSON** his heirs and assigns and against all and every other person whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

AND lastly that the said **WILLIAM WATSON** and his heirs shall and will at any time or times hereafter at and upon the reasonable request and at the cost and charges in the law of the said **JOHN ROSS** his heirs and assigns make do and execute or cause to be made and executed all such further and other reasonable acts and act act and acts conveyances in the law whatsoever for the further and better conveying and assuring in the law whatsoever for the further and better conveying and assuring the said premises with their appurtenances or justify errors, if any there be, unto the said **JOHN ROSS** his heirs and assigns forever as by the said **JOHN ROSS** his heirs and assigns or by his or her their council learning shall be devised, advised or required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said **WILLIAM WATSON** and **VIOLET** his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and month and year first above written.

**WILLIAM WATSON** {seal}  
**VIOLET WATSON** {seal}

N. B. Be it remembered that what land is over lapped by the above said **WATSON** survey on **GEORGE DAVIDSON**'s land adjoining the above said tract is hereby accepted and foreprized.

**GEORGE ROSS**  
**VELAU ? DUNCAN**  
**CHARLES MOORE**

North Carolina  
Mecklenburg County

This is to certify that the Within deed was proved in open court and recorded in the clerk's office according to law

**ROBERT HARRIS, CC**

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