

S. A. Towns C. C. J. d.	deed
To	Land
John Hawkins	

The State of South Carolina
Greenville District

This indenture made the fifth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty six between Samuel A Towns Esquire Commissioner of the Honorable Court of Equity for Greenville District at Greenville Court House in the said State of the one part and John Hawkins of the other part - Whereas Massena Taylor Administrator of the Estate of John Hodges deceased and J. W. Hodges on or about the twenty third day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three exhibited their bill of Complaint in the Court of Equity at Greenville Court House in the said State against Caroline Hodges et al. and the case being at issue before the Honorable Court came on to be heard at Chambers 1st Decr in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty three when the said Court after full hearing thereof and mature deliberation in the premises did Order Adjudge and Decree that the Lands prayed to be sold in said Bill should be sold at Public Auction by the Commissioner of the said Court on the terms and for the purposes mentioned in their Decretal Order as by Reference thereto in the Registry of the said Court will appear and the said Samuel A Towns as Commissioner of the said Court after having duly advertised the said Lands for sale by Public Outcry on the fifth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty six did then openly and publickly and according to the custom of Auctions sell and dispose of the said Land below described unto the said John Hawkins for the sum of Ten Dollars the being at that price the highest bidder for the same Now therefore this indenture witnesseth that the said Samuel A Towns as Commissioner of the said Court under and by Virtue of the said Decree and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars paid by the said John Hawkins the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted Bargained sold and released and by these presents doth grant Bargain sell and Release unto the said John Hawkins his heirs and assigns all that tract and parcel of Land known and described as follows to wit beginning at a Chesnut corner running thence S 5 1/2 E 12 ch a stake 34 thence N 32 1/2 W to stake 34 thence N 70 W 9 ch to stake thence 1 1/2 W 13.80 to the beginning containing fourteen acres bounded by Lands of John Hawkins de W. Hodges and Mr Rebecca Barton all of which land is lying & being situate in the State and District aforesaid on a small branch of the North fork of Saluda River Together with all and singl^{er} wh^{at} the hereditaments Rights members and appurtenances whatsoever to the said Land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the Reversions and Remains all and every Rents issues and profits thereof and also all the Estate Right title interest power possession property Benefit Claim and demand whatsoever both at law and in Equity of the heirs and Representatives of the said John W. Hodges and of the parties to this suit and of all other persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof by force

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