

State of South Carolina, Personally Came Rowland Cox before me  
Greenville District. and makes oath in due form of law and  
oath in said oath that he was present and saw James D. Smith  
& William J. Smith assign deed and deliver the within Deed of  
conveyance to John Cox for the uses and purposes within mentioned and  
that he also saw James H. Smith assign the same as concerning  
witness with himself. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup>  
day of February 1845. Rowland Cox.

Brashear Henderson, M. J. D.

Recorded for 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb'y 1845, by Robt McWay, J. M. C.

Original delivered to

Thomas J. Shockley  
To D.  
Samuel Rains.

Deed of 96 Acres of Land.  
The State of South Carolina.

Know all men by these pre-  
sents, that I, Thomas J. Shockley of  
Greenville District and State aforesaid for and in consideration of the  
sum of Three hundred Dollars to me in hand paid by Samuel  
Rains, a colored free man, by occupation a farmer - have grant-  
ed, bargained, sold and released, and by these presents do grant,  
bargain, sell and release unto the said Samuel Rains a certain  
tract or parcel of land situate in the district of Greenville and  
State aforesaid containing Ninety-Six acres (96) more or less, on the  
waters of Cruce River, on both sides of a small branch: Beginning  
at a small Maple Corner on the branch - It is E. 26 ch with Ma-  
ron Howell's land to a stake corner, thence S 89 E. 36 ch. with  
Jesse Hawkins' land to a stone corner, thence N 1 E. 11 ch 40 Links  
with Carter Hultshaw's land to a stone corner thence N 81 W. 31  
ch. 6 to Links Shikes land (a colored man) and father of Sam-  
Rains) to a Post Oak, thence N. 19 East with said Shikes land to  
a black Oak in the line of a four acre piece sold by J. Howell to  
Shikes, thence with said four acres to a stake in Dudley Howell's line,  
thence N 85 East with Dudley Howell's land to a Pine Knot thence S  
6 W. 29 ch 50 Links to the beginning, with Aldridge Green's land

Together with all and singular the rights, members, fixtures, appurtenances  
and appurtenances to the same belonging, as in anywise appertaining. To  
have and to hold all and singular the said Premises before mentioned un-  
to the said Samuel Rains his heirs and assigns forever. And I do here-  
by bind myself, my heirs, Executors and Administrators to warrant and for-  
ever defend all and singular the said Premises unto the said Samuel  
Rains his heirs and assigns, against myself, my heirs, and against all  
my other person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the  
same.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal  
this the Sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one Thousand  
and Eight hundred and forty five, & in the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Indepen-  
dence of the U. S.

Thomas J. Shockley