

Court, SC, Fairfield, MATTHEW MCCREIGHT and WILLIAM BRIANT, 1795

State of South Carolina

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT entered into made and concluded upon the twenty first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four and the eighteenth of American Independence.

BETWEEN **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **JEMIMA [MCCREIGHT]**, his wife, of the county of Fairfield and state aforesaid, planters, of the one part and **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH [BRIANT]**, his wife, of the same county and state, planters, of the other part.

WHEREAS **JAMES HARDAGE**, their father-in-law, did on the 20th day of August in the year of our Lord 1793, execute a conveyance of his real and personal property to **NATHANIEL FORD** and **HEZEKIAH FORD**.

IN TRUST for the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **JEMIMA**, his wife, **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH**, his wife the said property to remain in his possession during his lifetime and at his death to be equally divided between the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **JEMIMA**, his wife, **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH**, his wife as by the said deed of trust will more fully appear.

NOW these presents.

WITNESS that whereas the said **JAMES HARDAGE**, being willing to divide his real and personal property in his lifetime did, by and with the approbation of the said trustees dispose of the same as follows, that is to say:

TO **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** he has given the plantation whereon he now lives containing two hundred and fifty aces, more or less, also one negro wench named **JENNY** and also all his stock of cattle, horse, hogs & etc. and likewise all his household furniture and plantation tools.

TO **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH**, his wife, he has given two negro fellows **ELICK** and **SIMON** and one negro wench name **VIOLET** and her daughter **JENNY**.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to them, the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **JEMIMA**, his wife, **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH**, his wife, their heirs and assigns forever.

NOW BE IT KNOWN to all whom it may concern that we, the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **WILLIAM BRIANT** do hereby acknowledge ourselves to be perfectly satisfied and contented with the above division of our father-in-law's property and do hereby mutually agree to forever quit claim to any other division that have been made in consequence of the recited deed of trust and the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** and **JEMIMA**, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings to us in hand paid at and before the sealing hereof, do hereby assign over to the said **WILLIAM BRIANT**, his heirs and assigns all right, claim and demand whatsoever which we now have or might hereafter have to the said two negro fellows name **ELICK** and **SIMON** and also to the said negro wench name **VIOLET** and her daughter **JENNY** and their future increase.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD and the premises to the said **WILLIAM BRIANT**, his heirs and assigns forever, and the said **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH** his wife for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery hereof do hereby assign over to the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** his heirs and assigns all right, title, claim and demand whatsoever which we now or may hereafter have to the said plantation or tract of land containing two hundred and

Court, SC, Fairfield, MATTHEW MCCREIGHT and WILLIAM BRIANT, 1795

fifty acres, more or less, also the said negro wench named JENNY and her future issue and all the stock and plantation tools.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the premises to the said **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT**, his heirs and assigns forever and the said **MATTHEW** and **JEMIMA**, his wife and **WILLIAM BRIANT** and **SARAH**, his wife, do hereby covenant and agree to warrant and defend the above division of property to each other against the claim of all persons whatsoever and whereas **WILLIAM HARDAGE** has commenced an action against the part of the above property now the said **WILLIAM BRIANT** agrees to pay two parts of the costs and damages that may attend such action or any other next may hereafter be committed against them by the said **WILLIAM HARDAGE** for the true performance of these articles they mutually bind each of them to the other of them in the penal sum of five hundred pounds.

IN WITNESS whereof they have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and sel the day and year first above written.

MATTHEW MCCREIGHT {seal}
WILLIAM BRIANT {seal, his mark}

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us

D. EVANS
H. MILLING

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I, the within named **JAMES HARDAGE**, father-in-law to the within named **WILLIAM BRIANT** & **MATTHEW MCCREIGHT** do hereby acknowledge my approbation and consent to the within division of the within property by my to sons-in-law aforesaid.

As witness my hand June 24th, 1794.

JAMES HARDAGE
NATHANIEL FORD
HEZEKIAH FORD

WITNESS

QUINTIN HOY

Court, SC, Fairfield, MATTHEW MCCREIGHT and WILLIAM BRIANT, 1795

```
##### # # ##### ##### # # ##### ##### # #
# # ## ## # # # ## # # # # # # ## ##
# # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # #
##### # # # # ##### ##### # # #
# # # # # # # # # # # # # # #
# # # # # # # # # # ## ### # # # # # #
##### # # ##### ##### # # ### ##### ##### # #
```

Transcribed from original documents by Brent R. Brian & Martha M. Brian.

This document and others can be found on our website:

[BMGEN](#)

We claim **COPYLEFT** on the documents that we publish that are our original work.

COPYLEFT "rules" can be reviewed on the web site:

[GNU Free Documentation License](#)

In short, use what you like. But if you use our stuff, mention us as the source.

Brent R. Brian

Martha M. Brian

BrianMitchellGenealogy@gmail.com