Deed, GA, Richmond, WILLIAM POPE to THOMAS WAPLES, 1798

State of Georgia

THIS INDENTURE made and entered into this 29th day of **JANE** in the year of Our Lord 1798.

BY AND BETWEEN **WILLIAM POPE** of the city of Augusta state aforesaid of the one part and **THOMAS WAPLES** of the county of Sussex and state of Delaware of the other part.

WHEREAS a certain **BENJAMIN STOCKLEY** of the county of Sussex in the state of Delaware, deceased, by his last will and testament bearing date the 30th day of November in the year of Our Lord 1762, duly proven, approved, and established before the register of the probate of wills and granting letters of administration, for the county aforesaid, and duly by him recorded, reference being therein to had may fully and at large appear, devised to his daughter **JANE STOCKLEY** a certain tract of land and premises lying and being on Indian River 100 and County of foresaid adjoining **LAW**'s **POND** said to contain 200 Acres originally surveyed and taken up by a certain **JOSEPH WAILE**.

AND WHEREAS the said **JANE STOCKLEY** intermarried with a certain **CHARLES POPE**, and afterward died leaving issue, five sons, namely **WILLIAM [POPE]**, party to these presents, **ALEXANDER [POPE]**, **CHARLES [POPE]**, **BENJAMIN [POPE]** and **SAMUEL POPE**.

AND WHEREAS the said **CHARLES POPE** did on the 5th day of May in the year of Our Lord 1797, by a good and sufficient deed of release, did makeover and convey unto the foresaid **WILLIAM**, **ALEXANDER**, **CHARLES**, **BENJAMIN** and **SAMUEL** all such right, title, estate, interest, claim and demand whatever that he, the said **CHARLES POPE**, had, might, could or ought to have in and unto all and singular the above recited land and premises.

AND WHEREAS the aforesaid **WILLIAM POPE**, eldest son and heir of **JANE POPE**, deceased, preferred a petition to the orphans Court of Sussex County setting forth that **JANE POPE**, late of Kent County, deceased, was in her lifetime seized and possessed of a certain land and tenement situate in Indian River hundred in the county of Sussex which said lands were willed to her, the said **JANE POPE**, by her father **BENJAMIN STOCKLEY** late of Sussex County aforesaid, deceased, that **CHARLES POPE**, the father of your petitioner and husband of the said **JANE POPE**, deceased, hath by his deed of release conveyed his title of and in and unto the aforesaid lands and tenements unto your petitioner and his brother, to wit, **ALEXANDER**, **CHARLES**, **BENJAMIN**, and **SAMUEL POPE** he therefore prayed the court to grant and order appointing and empowering five freeholders of Sussex County to divide the said lands and tenements among the aforesaid heirs, if it would admit thereof, & c.

WHEREUPON the court appointed ROBERT BURTON, ROBERT FRAME, JOSEPH WAPLES, JOSHUA BURTON, and ROBERT MARINER to make the division required by the aforesaid petition, which said freeholders, after viewing said lands did report to the said court that the said lands would not admit of partition and division among said heirs without marring and spoiling the whole.

WHEREUPON he, the said **WILLIAM POPE**, prayed the court to appoint three freeholders to value said lands, agreeable to law, which was accordingly done which said freeholders did upon oath value the said land at the sum of 27 Shillings and six pence per acre as by said return may appear.

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WHEREUPON the said **WILLIAM POPE**, by his petition to the said orphans Court bearing date the 17th day of November 1797, did pray the court to adjudge the said lands and tenements to him, his heirs and assigns forever, at the valuation aforesaid upon his giving security for the payment of the other heirs, their shares of the said valuation.

WHEREUPON the said Court adjudged the lands and tenements to him that said **WILLIAM POPE** his heirs and assigns forever upon his giving security as aforesaid.

WHEREUPON the said **WILLIAM POPE**, with **RICHARD LITTLE** his security, entered into recognizance, according to law, for the the payment of the other heirs shares of said valuation and see. As by the records of the orphans court for Sussex County may fully and at large appear, reference being therein to had.

NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that this said **WILLIAM POPE**, for and in consideration of the sum of \$454, to him in hand paid by the said **THOMAS WAPLES** before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt where of he death hereby acknowledge and himself there with fully satisfied and paid, hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, conveyed and confirmed and by these present doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, convey and confirm unto him, the said **THOMAS WAPLES** his heirs and assigns forever, all the before describe tract, piece or parcel of land and premises.

TOGETHER with all and singular the houses, buildings, orchards, fences, gardens, woods, under woods, timber and trees, water and water courses, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said tract of land belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to him the said **THOMAS WAPLES**, his heirs and assigns forever, to his and their own proper use, benefit, and behoove and to no other use intended or purpose whatsoever.

AND I, the said **WILLIAM POPE**, do by these presents warrant and forever defend all and singular the above described attractive land and premises said to contain 200 acres, more or less, from and against the lawful claim or claims of all manner of persons whatsoever now we're here after to claim the same or any part or parcel thereof from, by, or under me, my heirs, executors or administrators or any part of them.

IN WITNESS of all which I have here unto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

WILLIAM POPE {seal}

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of

PHILIP T. RASIN NATHANIEL COCKE AUGUSTUS BALDWIN

recorded 3rd of July 1798

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