KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, **SAMUEL MATHIS**, of York County and state of South Carolina have bargained, sold, and conveyed unto **JOHN MATHEWS** of the county & state aforesaid, for & in consideration of the sum of fifty dollars to me in hand paid, before the sealing & delivery of these presents, the receipt and payment is hereby acknowledged, hath bargained, sold & conveyed unto the said **JOHN MATHIS**, that tract, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying & being in the county of York and state of South Carolina on the south side of Mill Creek.

Beginning at a Hickory, **BIGGERS**' old corner, and runs N45E 88 poles to a black oak corner on **HORSLEY**'s line; thence along said line N80E 110 poles to a Ash near a branch; thence down said branch N7E 18 poles to a Ash on the creek; thence down the various courses of the creek 15 poles to a Red Oak & Beech on the bank on said creek; thence S 67 poles near the wagon Road to a post oak; thence S36W 46 poles to a pine; thence S60W 116 poles to his line & **BIGGERS**'; thence aN46W 84 poles along said line to the beginning.

Containing one hundred acres, more or less, being part of the tract of land said **MATHIS** including part of three surveys, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

TO HAVE & TO HOLD the above mentioned premises, free and clear of all encumbrances, and the said **SAMUEL MATHIS**, for himself, his heirs, executors & administrators doth covenant and agree with the said **JOHN MATHIS** that he will warrant and forever defend the above mentioned premises & every part thereof against all lawful claims unto the aforesaid **JOHN MATHIS**, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, the taxes only excepted as they become due.

As witness my hand & seal this 26th day of December 1797.

SAMUEL MATHEWS {seal}

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

JAMES FARIES ROBERT LOWREY JOHN FEARIS

South Carolina York County

Personally appeared before me, the subscribing Justice, **JOHN FEARIS**, and made oath as the law directs, that he was present and seen **SAMUEL MATHEWS** sign, seal & deliver the within instrument of writing for the use & purpose therein mentioned, and that he seen **ROBERT LOWREY** and **JAMES FARIES** sign their names as concurring witnesses with himself.

JOHN FEARIS

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 6th day of August, 1798

ROBERT FARIES, J. P.

SAMUEL MATHIS

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