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State of North Carolina Burke County

The deposition of MARY THOMPSON taken before me WILLIAM WHITE, Esquire one of the justices of the said county, to be read in evidence in the suit Den on the devise of BEATY against JOHN LONG by the consent of WILLIAM BEATY & JOHN LONG both personally present, viz.

MARY THOMPSON of full age being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God deposeth and saith JOHN BEATY on his death bed said he would leave his land to his brother, ABEL BEATY, which is said land that is now in depute and she believes JOHN BEATY had no other land, also further saith that CHARLES BEATY, the land now in dispute was in the possession of JOHN BEATY Senr., who was father to JOHN, CHARLES and ABEL, and ABEL BEATY lived and worked with his father, and after the death of CHARLES BEATY, ABEL BEATY took possession and retained the same until his death, after which his widow retain the possession until her marriage with JOHN LONG who has continued the same down until this time, and also further saith that her brother THOMAS BEATY, on his death bed, was asked who he would leave said disputed land to, he, who answered it was not his to leave.

MARY THOMPSON {seal, her x mark}

Sworn before me the 8^{th} day of September 1787 in the presence of and by me both parties.

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