

North Carolina  
Craven County

To all People to whom this  
Present Writing shall come I John

James of the County of Craven and Province of North Carolina Lader send Greeting Know ye that I the said John James as well for and in consideration of the natural Love and Affection which I have and bear unto my well beloved Son in Law Samuel Lawson as I stile him the Son of present Wife Mary James as for divers other good Causes and Considerations me thereunto moving have given and granted and by these Presents do fully freely and clearly and absolutely give Grant and unto the said Samuel Lawson his Heirs and Assigns forever all & singular such my whole Estate both Real and personal in Goods and out of all my Goods and Chatties belonging to me the Land and Plantation whereon I now live including all the Land contained in the bounds of my Patent and all my Household Commodities and all my Cattle, Horses, Hogs and Sheep and singular all and every thing that is mine I the said John James doth fully and positively give unto the aforesaid Samuel Lawson his Heirs and Assigns forever hereafter And I the said John James do by Virtue of this Present Writing give the said Samuel Lawson full and free Possession of all my Estate aforementioned to be his absolute Property forever