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The State of Alabama, } This Indenture made
Shelby County. } this the 5th day of October 1839 between David Meredith one of the creditors of the first part Wm H Meredith the Trustee of the second part James L Skillman the Debtor of the third part, this instrument witnesseth that the said James L Skillman is justly indebted to the said David Meredith in the sum of fifteen Hundred Dollars to be paid by the 25th day of December in the year 1841 as by note bearing date the fifteenth of August 1839 ~~made~~ fully appears that the said James L. Skillman be willing and desirous to secure the said sum of money and also the following debts to wit:
one note made by James L. Skillman and David Meredith to Richard Wood which is due the 1/4 of January 1840 for the sum Three Hundred and seventy five Dollars 71/2 cents payable to the Cashier or bearer of the Branch of the State of Alabama at Montgomery and made negotiable and payable at said Bank and by said bank

discounted the 3rd day of May 1839 which note bears interest from the day it was discounted and which bears the date 3rd day of May 1839 - Also one note made by Elijah & James L. Skillman and David Meredith & Wm J. Peters which note will be due the 1st of June 1840 for the sum of Three hundred Dollars payable to the cashier or bearer of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Alabama at Montgomery and by said Bank discounted on the 15th day of November 1839 and dated on the same day it was discounted with interest from date which note is made negotiable and payable at said Bank. Also one note made by James L. Skillman David Meredith & Randolph B. Canterberry which note is payable to the President and directors of the bank of the State of Alabama or order and will be due the 23rd of December 1839 for Two Hundred & Seventy Dollars - which note is made negotiable and payable at said Bank and by said Bank discounted about the 23rd day of March 1839 - Also one Bill of Exchange drawn by James L. Skillman in favor of Ed. N. Powel and by said Powel endorsed and by Daniel E. Watros endorsed drawn on David Meredith Dinded to and excepted by the said David Meredith which bill bears date the 1st August 1837 and due the 1st December 1838 or 9 which bill was made negotiable and payable at the Branch of the Bank of the State of Alabama at Montgomery for the sum seven hundred and Ten dollars and 72 cts., Also another note made by James L. Skillman J H Cunningham and Wm P Thomas payable to the cashier or bearer of the Branch of the Bank of the State of Alabama at Montgomery for the sum of Three Hundred seventy five Dollars due the 1st of June 1840 which note was made negotiable and payable at said Bank and by said Bank discounted on the 4th of January 1838 with interest from date and dated the day it was discounted - Also one note made by James L. Skillman Samuel Bowdon and David Meredith for the sum of four hundred

dollars bearing date 4th day of April 1836 payable To Wm Brooson and Mary Lindsey administrator and administratrix of E. Lindsey Decd and due one day after date - Also one note made by James L. Skillman bearing date even with this instrument for Two hundred dollars which note will be due the 1st June 1840 payable To David Meredith or bearer - now it fully appearing which debts the said James L. Skillman being willing and desirous To secure hath this day and date above mentioned granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell to the said Wm H. Meredith the following property to wit a certain negro man named Jim yellow complected aged about forty years also a certain negro man named Bob dark complected age about twenty years also certain negro boy dark complected aged about fourteen years named John also a certain negro woman named Milly about twenty nine years old yellow complected also a boy child at her breast named Sam about eight months old yellow complected also a yellow girl named Nance about Twelve years old To have and To hold unto Wm H. Meredith his heirs and assigns forever and I the said James L. Skillman for myself my heirs executors administrators and assigns against all persons will warrant and forever defend never the less in Trust and it is hereby agreed between the said James L. Skillman and the said Wm M. Meredith That if the said sum of money is not paid To the said David Meredith and the other parties by the time any of the debts shall be due and sued on and run in and To judgment and execution the said Wm H. Meredith shall so soon thereafter as the said David Meredith or any of the other indorsers may desire or the said Wm H Meredith think proper To sell the said slaves at public auction in Montevallo after giving thirty day notice by advertisement at three or more public places in said County and from the proceeds of sale To satisfy and pay

over to said David Meredith and the other creditors the said sums of money and all necessary expenses and any surplus may remain to pay over to the said James L. Skillman his heirs or assigns and it is further understood and agreed that the said Wm H. Meredith is to permit the said negro property to remain in the peaceable possession in the said James L. Skillman and to enjoy the profits and advantages of the labor of the said slaves until default be made in the payments of the said sums of money according to the understanding in the article In testimony whereof the said parties have hereunto set their names and affixed their seals the day and date above written.

Witnesses Nathaniel Harrison } David Meredith (Seal)
Allen Nabours } W. H. Meredith (Seal)
Henry J. Hill } James L. Skillman (Seal)

The State of Alabama } Before me Noel Mason
Shelby County } Clerk of the County Court of said County personally come Allen Nabours and made oath in due form of law that he saw David Meredith William H. Meredith and James L. Skillman sign and seal the foregoing Deed of Trust on the day therein named that he at the same time subscribed thereunto as an attesting witness that he saw Nathaniel Harrison and Henry J. Hill subscribed thereto as witnesses, that he this affiant and said Harrison & Hill subscribed in presence of the parties and the said parties ~~namely~~ viz: Meredith Meredith & Skillman subscribed & sealed the same in presence of all the witnesses - Sworn to & subscribed before me 15th October 1839. } Allen Nabours

Test Noel Mason Clk

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