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The State of Alabama, Shelby County.
Know all men by these presents that I, James L. Skillman for and in consideration of the sum thirteen hundred dollars to me in hand paid by David Meredith at and before the execution of these presents the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell to the said David Meredith his heirs, executors administrators and assigns the following described property, viz: That is to say two Gray horses one bay horse, one clay bank mare, two Brown mules one Brown horse, thirty five head of cattle, one hundred head of hogs, twenty five head of Sheep, twenty five head of Goats, the above is the property on the plantation of James L. Skillman, also all of the said Skillman farming tools, two Clocks, six beds and furniture one bureau one press one fine looking glass all of the house hold and kitchen furniture two road wagons, six bedsteads the above is the property goods and chattels now in the possession of J. L. Skillman also one set of Smith tools and the increase of said property to have and to hold all and singular the above described property to the said David Meredith his heirs and assigns forever and the said James L. Skillman for myself my heirs, executors administrators and assigns all and singular the above described property goods and chattels to the said David Meredith his heirs and executors administrators assigns forever, and I the said James L. Skillman for myself my heirs executors administrators and assigns all and singular the above specified property goods and chattels to the said David Meredith his heirs, executors administrators and assigns against all and every other person or persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and ever defend by these presents provided always and it is hereby agreed between the parties to these presents, that if I the said James L. Skillman my heirs and executors administrators or assigns or any of us shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said David Meredith the full sum of thirteen hundred Dollars

on or before the Twenty fifth of December 1842 then these presents and every thing herein shall cease and be made void, and in case default is made in the payment of the said sum of Thirteen hundred dollars at the time limited for payment thereof it shall be lawful for the said David Meredith his heirs executors, administrators or assigns to enter and convey away from the plantation and dwelling house of the said James L. Skillman the specified property goods and chattles and all other things herein named to sell or dispose of or to apply otherwise to the benefit of David Meredith his heirs executors administrators or assigns as he or they may deem proper and best, and until default be made in the payment of the said sum of money I the said James L. Skillman my heirs &c are to remain in the peaceable and full possession of the foresaid property goods and chattles and free and free enjoyment of the same - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed my seal this the seven day of October in the year of Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Thirty nine - Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

John J. Weeks
Elijah Skillman

James L. Skillman (Seal)

The State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Personally appeared before me the above named James L. Skillman and acknowledged the foregoing instrument as his own act and deed for the purposes therein expressed and contained - October 15th A.D. 1839 -

Test Noel Mason Clk. C.C.S.C.

Filed for record 15th October 1839 & recorded the same day.

Noel Mason Clk.