Certificate No. 15. 731

Patent of Griffin To Jackson

The United States of America

To all to whom These Presents shall come Greeting

Whereas Richard S. Griffin of Shelby County has deposited in the General Land office of the United States, a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Tuscaloosa whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Richard S. Griffin according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th April 1820. Entitled An Act making further provision for the Sale of Public Lands. for the East half of the North West quarter of Section Twenty in Township Twenty one of Range one east, in the District of Lands subject to Sale at Tuscaloosa. Alabama. Containing Seventy nine acres and ninety eighth hundredth of an acre, according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands returned to the General Land office by the Surveyor General. which said Tract has been purchased by the said Richard S. Griffin, Now know ye. That the United States of America, in consideration of the Premises and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such cases made and provided. Have given and granted and by these presents do give and grant, unto the said Richard S. Griffin and to his heirs. the said tract above described, To have and to hold the same. together with all the rights. privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging. unto the said Richard S. Griffin and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof. J. Martin Van Buren, President of the United States of America. have caused these letters to be made Patent and the seal of the General Land Office be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand. at the City of Washington the 1 day of April in the Year of our Lord 1837 and of the Independence of the United States the 61st

By the President Martin Van Buren

By A. Van Buren Secy

Saml D King Acting Recorder of the General Land office
ad interim

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The State of Alabama } As the Agent of Richard S. Griffin of said
Shelby County } County, I have this day bargained and sold for said Griffin to William P. Downing of said County. The following Tract of Land to wit. The East half of the North West quarter of Section 21 of Township 21. of Range one East Eighty acres more or less for the sum of Four hundred Dollars. for the payment of which I have taken said Downings two promissory notes for Two hundred Dollars each. payable to said Griffin or bearer bearing this date and due the 25th day of December next the other due the 25th day of December 1852 both bearing Interest from date; title to be made when said notes are paid

Columbiana January 22d 1853. J. M. McClanahan

The State of Alabama } Know all men by these presents that
Shelby County } after the making of the above contract to wit in February 1853 the said Richard S. Griffin departed this life. without having received payment of said notes

over

to make title to said tract of land therein described. That therefore to wit on the 28th day of March 1853 Administration on the Estate of the said Richard S. Griffin Dec^d was granted by the Court of Probate of said County to the undersigned A. A. Sterrett. That the said Notes on said Premises described in the above written Contract thereupon came to my hands as Administrator of said Griffins Estate among other effects. That said Notes have been fully paid off & discharged by J. A. B. Jackson of Dallas County who claims and demands title to be made to him to said tract of land by me as the Administrator of the Estate of said Richard S. Griffin Dec^d by reason of said Downings transfer and assignement of his interest therein to one Marshall P. Smith, of said Smiths transfer and assignement therein to one William Roper & of said William Ropers transfer and assignement therein to him the said Jackson by whom payment was made. Now therefore in consideration of the premises and to save the expense of an application to the Court of Probate of said County, as well as to comply with said Griffins contract or agreement in the sale of said tract of land. The purchase money having been fully paid & satisfied when as Administrator as aforesaid I A. A. Sterrett as such Administrator do now by these presents in pursuance of the provision of the Laws of Alabama in such cases made and provided bargain, sell, convey & confirm unto the said J. A. B. Jackson the said tract of land described in said written agreement hereto attached to wit the East half of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 20 of Township 21 of Range one East containing seventy nine 96/100 acres according to the patents from the United States therefor to said Griffin. That is all the right, title, interest claim & demand which the said Richard S. Griffin now dec^d had of in & to said tract of land at the date of said written contract, or at any time thereafter. To have and to hold the same to the said Jackson his heirs assigns forever. In witness of all of which I as the Administrator of the Estate of said Richard S. Griffin Dec^d have hereto set my hand and seal this 6th day of November A. D. 1855

A. A. Sterrett (Seal)
Administrator

The State of Alabama } I John M. McClanahan
Shelby County } Judge of Probate of said County
hereby Certify that A. A. Sterrett whose name is signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance he as the Administrator of the Estate of Richard S. Griffin Dec^d executed the same voluntarily on the same bears date
Given under my hand this 6th day of November 1855 A. D.

John M. McClanahan
Judge of Probate
of Shelby County