

The State of Alabama Shelby County

This indenture made and entered into this 7 day of March 1859 between John B. Robertson debtor of the first part and Stephen H. Lardes Creditor of the 2 part Witnesseth that whereas the said party of the 1st part is justly indebted to the party of the 2nd part the sum of one hundred and forty dollars evidenced by note bearing even date herewith and payable on or before the 25 day of December 1859 and the said party of the 1st part being desirous to secure the payment of said indebtedness for and in consideration thereof and for the further consideration of the sum of one dollar to the said party of the first part in hand paid by the said party of the 2nd part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said party of the 1st part has sold and hereby sells and conveys to the said party of the 2nd part the following described property to wit

Forty acres of land the same the said John & Robertson now live upon none being not recollecting and all the Cotton Crop which the said John & Robertson may raise this year 1859 to be gathered by him the said John & Robertson and delivered at Ayleys gin on or by the 25th day of December 1859 to have and to hold in trust as follows to wit It is hereby agreed that the said party of the 1st part is to have and to retain possession of the said property until the 25th day of December 1859 and after the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2nd part said debt with interest thereon and the reasonable Expenses hereof by said 25th day of December 1859 then this Indenture to be null and void But upon such default of such payment the said party of the 2nd part is hereby authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder for Cash after giving twenty days notice of the time and place of said sale by advertisement posted up at three public places and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the said sum of one hundred and forty dollars and interest thereon and the reasonable costs hereof and the balance if any pay over to the said party of the 1st part given under our hands and seals this day and year above written

John & Robertson seal
R A Murdus seal

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J B Murdus, a Justice of the Peace for said County hereby Certify that John & Robertson and R A Murdus whose names are signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who are known to me are acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the Conveyance they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same have date given including my hand this 7 day of March A D 1859 J B Murdus

Justice of the Peace
Filed 7 March 1859

Recorded 14 March 1859

J M Williamson
Judge of Probate