The State of Alabama } Know all men by these presents that
Shelby County } We W J Rhodes & W J Rhodes are justly indebted to Sterrett Morgan and Lapsley a Law firm Composed of A A Sterrett J. T. Morgan & James W Lapsly. in the Sum of four hundred Dollars by promissory Note due Six Months after date 25 day of March 1868 Which said indebtedness they are desirous of Securing the payment of in Consideration of Which and of five Dollars to the said W. J. Rhodes in hand paid the Receipt of Which is hereby acknowledged the said Wm J Rhodes has bargained and Sold and do Now by these presents bargain Sell Convey and Confirm unto the said Sterrett Morgan and Lapsly. the following designated and described lots tracts and parcels of land Situated in and near the Town of Columbiana in said County and Known and described as the lots tracts and parcel of land Sold and Conveyed by Ephraim A Pinkard to Said W J Rhodes by deed duly Executed and Stamped the 15 day of February 1848 and upon which the said W J Rhodes now Reside & Occupies. To have and to hold the tracts lots and parcels of land. unto the said Sterrett Morgan and Lapsly their heirs and assigns forever. But however and these presents are upon this Condition, that the said W J Rhodes is to remain in the quiet and peacable possion of said lots tracts and parcels of land until default be made in the payment of said indebtedness or any part thereof when and in which case the said Sterrett Morgan & Lapsly or any one of them may Sieze and Sell said lots tracts and parcels of land or So much thereof as is necessary to pay said indebtedness or whatever due there on & expenses of said Sale and this Conveyance after giving ten days Notice of time and place of said Sale, But if said indebtedness Shall be fully paid and discharged One or by the Maturity of said Note then this Conveyance and every part thereof Shall be Null and Void

As witness our hands and Seals this 25 day of March 1868

W J Rhodes {Seal}
W J Rhodes {Seal}

The State of Alabama } I Enoch Beale a Justice of
Shelby County } the Peace in and for Said County
hereby Certify that W J Rhodes and M J Rhodes Whose
Names are signed to the foregoing Conveyance and Who
are Known to me 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 bears
date Given under my this 25 day of Mch 1868

E Beale
Justice of the Peace