

Bolen D. High to William Denney

Two male slaves named John and George. 15 August 1843. (Deed Book R p. 13)

Received of William Denney four hundred and twenty five dollars in full payment for two Negro boys this day purchased of Bolin D. High to wit John aged nine years the 18th day of December last George was six years old the 22nd of May last both said boys I warrant to be sound in body and mind and slaves for life and sd title of sd negro boys warranted to be good to the sd William Denny and his heirs forever In testimony whereof I Bolen D. High have this 15th of August 1843 Signed Sealed and delivered in the presents of

Bolen D. High (Seal)

Test Henry Ward
William S. Gregory

State of Tennessee Smith County. Personally appeared before me John J. Burnett Clerk of Smith County Court Bolen D. High the within bargainer with whom I am personally acquainted and who acknowledged that he executed the within Bill of Sale for the purposes therein contained Witness my hand at office the 22d August 1843.

John J. Burnett Clerk
Of Smith County Court

Recd. 22d August 1843 at 11 ¼ AM Regd 23 Aug 1843
Allen I Watkins Repr.

James S. Murphree to William Denney

Lot Number 10 in the town of Rome. 6 July 1846. (Deed Book R p. 259)

I James S. Murphree have this day bargained and sold & do hereby transfer & convey to William Denny and his heirs forever for the consideration of two hundred and seventy five dollars to me in hand paid a town lot or part thereof in the town of Rome State of Tennessee & County of Smith & district No 12. containing by estimation three sixteenths of an acre be the same more or less also known in plan of said Town as No 10 beginning on Main Street at the north east corner of Sarah Scoggins lot No. 8 & running South thirty four yards to a stake thence east thirty five yards to the south west corner of John McCall's lot No 11 & thence north with said lot twenty four & 1/3 yards to a stake thence west forty four feet to a stake thence north thirteen feet to a stake thence west seventeen feet to a stake thence north thirteen feet to a stake thence west seventeen feet & 5 inches to a stake thence north nineteen feet to a stake on main street thence west fifteen yards to the beginning To have and to hold the same to the said William Denny his heirs and assigns forever I do covenant with the said William Denny that I am lawfully seized of said lot have a good right to convey it and that the same is unencumbered I do further covenant and bind myself my heirs and assigns to warrant and forever defend the title to the said lot or part of lot and every part thereof to the said William Denny his heirs and assigns forever against the claims of all persons whatever this 6 July 1844.

Jas S. Murphree

Signed in the presence of us
Attest John Bridges W.W. Bailey

State of Tennessee Smith County. Personally appeared before me John J. Burnett clerk of Smith County Court John Bridges and W.W. Bailey subscribing witnesses to the within deed of conveyance who being first sworn depose and say that they are acquainted with James S. Murphree the within Bargainer and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act and deed upon the day it bears witness my hand at office 26 August 1844.

John J. Burnett Clerk
Of Smith County Court

Recd 27 Aug 1844 at 9 ½ a.m. REgd 29 Aug 1844
Allen I Watkins Regr.

Ed. Burke Pickett to William Denney

A male slave named Jack. 2 January 1846. (Deed Book S p. 86)

I have this day sold and do hereby convey to William Denney his heirs and assigns forever for six hundred dollars to me paid a man slave named Jack I warrant the title & said slave to said William Denny his heirs & assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whatever & I also warrant him to be sound healthy sensible and a slave for life. This 2nd day of January 1846.

Ed Burke Pickett (Seal)

State of Tennessee, Smith County

Personally appeared before me John J. Burnett Clerk of Smith County Court Edward B. Pickett the above named Bargainer with whom I am personally acquainted and who acknowledged that he executed the above Bill of Sale for the purposes therein contained. Witness my hand at office 3d day of January 1846.

John J. Burnett Clerk
Of Smith County Court

Regd January 3rd 1846

Nathan B. Burdine Regr. Of Smith County.

John McFall to Willie Denney

55 acres on Mulherrin Creek. 3 November 1844. (Deed Book S. p. 309)

This indenture made this 3rd day of November 1844 in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty one between John McFall of the one part & Willie Denny of the other part both of the state of Tennessee & County of Smith witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum of one hundred & thirty dollars to him the said John paid in hand by the sd. Willie the receipt whereof is hereby ackd. Hath bargained unto the sd. Willie a certain tract or parcel of land lying & being in the cty. & state aforesaid & on the headwaters of Mulherrins creek it being a part of my grant No 1939 for 55 acres and bounded as follows viz, beginning at a hickory and sugar tree common to said grant thence west twenty three poles to a white oak & sugar tree thence north sixty poles to an elm thence east fifty eight poles to a dead beach N.C. Corner to sd grant thence south fifty three poles to a sugar tree thence south 80 d. west to the beginning & containing by survey nineteen & one half acres be the same more or less with the hereditaments & appurtenances to have & to hold the above described tract or parcel of land with the hereditaments & appurtenances thereunto belonging and in anywise appertaining to have the privilege the Right & title of said land unto him the sd Wiley his heirs & assigns against himself his heirs & assigns & against all & every other person or persons whatever. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this day & date above written.

John McFall (Seal)

Witnesses: William Finch
James (his x mark) Rolanes

State of Tennessee Smith County. Personally appeared before me John J. Burnett Clerk of Smith County Court William Finch and James Rollins subscribing witnesses to the within deed who being first sworn depose and say that they are acquainted with John Mcfall and that he acknowledged the same in their presents to be his act & deed upon the day it bears date. Witness my hand at office the 1st March 1844.

John J. Burnett Clerk
Of Smith County Court

Recd the 28 Sept 1844 at 3 ¼ pm
Registered 30 Sept. 1844

D. C. Sanders Regr.
of Smith County

Sheriff John Bailey to William Denney

A tract of land in District 13. 25 January 1847. (Deed Book S pp. 407-409)

Whereas, the following judgments were issued by James W. Grissum an acting justice of the Peace for Smith County, The four first against John Williams, and the fifth against one Wesley Motes, and said John Williams, To wit,

24th June 1842. In favor of Wm. M. Price for \$8.00, _____ cost,
24th June 1842. In favor of Tho D. Price for \$16.53, _____ cost,
15 Jan 1843. In favor of Wm C. Norris, for \$68.50, _____ cost,
1 April 1843. In favor of Wm. D. Price for \$7.90, _____ cost,
31 March 1843. In favor of Wm. Denny for \$168.00 _____ cost,

On each of which said judgments an execution afterwards issued, and in default of Goods and Chattels, was ____ upon the following tract of Land as the property of the said John Williams. To Wit, One hundred and fifty acres more or less, lying in Smith County in Civil District No. 13, bounded on the North and West by James W. Grissum, on the South by George Hines, on the East by Alfred Arrington, and being the Tract on which said Williams lived at the dates of said lines.

And whenever also, afterwards, at the April term 1845 of the Circuit Court of Smith County, the record in each case being filed in said Court, judgment of condemnation was rendered in each case, _____ and ordering said tract of land to be sold by the Sheriff of Smith County in the manner pointed out by Laws, To Satisfy plaintiffs judgment and the Cost of motion; On each of which of said judgments of condemnation a writ of venditioni exponas issued on the 5th of June 1843, directed to the Sheriff of Smith County, Commanding him to sell said tract of Land pursuant to said judgment, Upon each of which Said rents of Venditione exponas, Wyatt W. Bailey, Sheriff of Smith County, made return, That after advertising said tract of Land according to Laws, and giving legal notice, he sold the Same on the 7th August, 1843 at te Court House in Carthage to Creed Penn, for twenty five dollars, he being the highest and last bidder.

And whereas also, afterwards on the 21st August 1843 Said William C. Norris judgment coeditor as aforesaid redeemed said tract of land from said Penn paying him the sum of \$35 3/100 deed thereupon said Norris advanced to him on said redemption the sum of \$78 10/100 being principal interest and cost of his said judgment, and entered a receipt in full on the records of said Court for the same. A judgment Creditor of Said Williams, redeemed said tract of land from said William C. Norris, paying him the sum of \$105 3/100 and thereupon said Grissum advanced upon said redemption the Sum of \$72 87/100 being amount of judgment and cost in his favor against said John Williams and Wesley Motes, rendered in said County Court, at said date, and entered a receipt in full upon the records of Said Court for the Same.

And Whereas also, on the 28th August 1843, said William Dennys judgment creditor as aforesaid redeemed said tract of land from Said Thomas _ Grissum paying him the Sum of \$176 and thereupon said Denny advanced upon said redemption the sum of one hundred & seventy nine dollars 86/100, being principle and interest and cost of his Said judgment, and entered a receipt in full, for the same on the records of Said Court.

And Whereas also, Since the proceedings aforesaid the Term of Office of Said Wyatt W. Bailey, as Sheriff as aforesaid has expired, and John Bailey has been duly elected and qualified as Sheriff of said County and it appearing that no Deed has been made, for said land either to said Penn the Purchaser, or to either of said parties, who redeemed said Land as aforesaid, Now Therefore the Deed made this 25th January Eighteen hundred and forty Seven, between said John Bailey Sheriff of Smith County, of the one part, and Said William Denny of the other part Witnesseth That Said John Bailey Sheriff as aforesaid for and in consideration of the premises and for and in consideration of said sum of money so bid and paid for said tract of land at Sheriffs Sale as aforesaid and of said sums do advance on said several redemptions as aforesaid, deed by virtue of the acts of assembly in such case made and provided hath Granted Bargained sold & Conveyed to Said William Denney, his heirs and assigns the said Tract or _____ of Land _____ before described. To have and to hold the same with all and singular the rights privileges hereditaments and appurtenances, to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining to the Said William Denney his heirs and assigns forever, in as full and ample a Manner as the Said John Bailey as Sheriff aforesaid, by virtue of the proceedings aforesaid is enabled to convey the Same.

Witness whereof, the Said John Bailey as Sheriff _____ has hereunto set his hand and Seal 25th January Eighteen hundred and forty Seven.

John Bailey (Seal)
Sheriff of Smith County

Executed in presence of
W.W. Hart
Nathan D Burdine

State of Tennessee, Smith County personally appeared before me John J. Burnett Clerk of Smith County Court John Bailey Sheriff of Smith County with whom I am personally acquainted, and who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance for the purposes therein contained Witness my hand at office 2d day of February 1847.

John J. Burnett Clk
Of Smith County Court

Received the 10th Febry. At 10, O'clock, 1847
Registered the 27th July 1847
D.C. Saunders Regr. Smith County