

administrators and assigns all my interest right and title in law or equity in and to all and singular the secured and growing crops of Tobacco Corn wheat Oats upon the farm or plantation of the said James Stevens, which I have been acting as manager or overseer since the first day of January eighteen hundred and forty three, also all my interest right and title in law or equity in and to one bay mare and colt and two cows so named as to list Oats and singular the said crops secured and growing, horses & Cattle above bargained and sold or mentioned and intended so to be to the said James Stevens his Executors administrators and assigns forever and I the said John Hardisty for myself, my heirs Executors and administrators all and singular the said secured and growing crops, horses and Cattle above mentioned and to the premises unto the said James Stevens his Executors administrators and assigns against me the said John Hardisty my Executors and administrators and against all and every person or persons who shall and lawfully claim and forever defend by these presents of all and singular which said crops secured and growing horses and Cattle and other the premises I the said John Hardisty have put the said James Stevens in full possession by delivering to him the said James Stevens the whole of the crops growing and secured, horses and Cattle in the name of the whole premises hereby bargained and sold or mentioned and intended to be so unto the said James Stevens as aforesaid. In Witness whereof I the said John Hardisty have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventeenth day of October Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

Test James Higgins  
J. P. Minor

John Hardisty

All the foot of the foregoing was thus written to wit:

Anne Arundel County State of Maryland: On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1843 personally appeared before me the subscribed Justice of the peace in and for Anne Arundel County aforesaid John Hardisty and known to me as the identical personment and in and as having signed the above instrument of writing and acknowledges before me that the above instrument of writing is his act and deed and that therein is mentioned growing and secured crops of Tobacco Corn wheat and Oats horses & Cattle are the property of the said James Stevens and that he has delivered all and singular the said growing and secured crops of Tobacco Corn wheat and Oats horses and Cattle unto the possession of the said James Stevens for the consideration therein mentioned.

John Hardisty Acknowledged before James Higgins J. P.

Recorded the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 1843