

Cumberland County? This was the execution of this deed in open Court
 May Court, 1764 & acknowledged by the within named Sterling Car-
 roll & ordered to be recorded. Rickd. Moore, C. C.
 Recorded in the minutes of said Court. Rickd. Moore, C. C.

John Gilmore
 to
 John Benton.

This Indenture made the 10th day of May, 1764, between
 John Gilmore of the Province of North Carolina & County
 of Cumberland, planter, of the one part, and John Benton
 of the Province & County aforesaid, blacksmith of the other part, Witnesseth,
 that the sd. John Gilmore for & in consideration of the sum of Twenty
 pounds P^{re}. money to him in hand paid by the sd. John Benton,
 the receipt whereof the said John Gilmore doth hereby acknowledge,
 hath given, granted, bargained, sold & confirmed & by these presents
 doth grant, bargain, sell, alien & confirm unto the sd. John Benton
 his heirs & assigns, all & singular the piece & parcel of land contain-
 ing 200 acres be the same more or less, situate, lying and being
 in the sd. County of Cumberland, on a branch of Little River
 called Grand Creek, beginning at a pine nigh Henry Semmons
 line, thence running S. 59 E. 120 poles to a small white oak nigh
 John Gilmore's line; thence N. 44 E. 268 poles along sd. line; thence
 N. 59 W. 120 poles to Henry Semmons' line; thence along the same
 S. 44 W. 268 poles to the first station, with all the appurtenances
 therunto belonging: which piece or parcel of land was granted
 by patent to Mr. John Shepherd, bearing date the 22^d day of Octo-
 ber in the second year of his present Majesty's reign A. D. 1762;
 & was conveyed by sd. John Shepherd unto the sd. John Gilmore
 the 8th day of March, 1763, and is now conveyed by the sd. John Gil-
 more unto the sd. John Benton his heirs & assigns forever. To have & to
 hold the sd. bargained premises therunto belonging or in anywise
 appertaining, & every part & parcel thereof unto the sd. John Benton
 his heirs & assigns; to the only, sole & proper use & behoof of him the
 sd. John Benton & his heirs & assigns forever, & to & for none other use
 whatsoever - anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.
 And the sd. John Gilmore for himself & Jean his wife, their heirs,
 exrs. & admsrs., doth covenant, grant & agree to & with the said John
 Benton his heirs & assigns, that he the sd. John Benton his heirs and
 assigns shall & may at all times hereafter have, hold, occupy
 & enjoy the sd. hereby bargained & sold premises with the appur-
 tenances free & clear of all former, other gifts, grants, bargains,
 sales, dowries, judgments or other incumbrances (whatsoever
 one half of all gold & silver mines with the quit rents becoming
 due to his Majesty, his heirs & successors, only excepted.) And
 that he the sd. John Gilmore & Jean his wife their heirs & all & every