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Watauga Purchase

This Indenture made this nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy five Between Oconistoto chief Warrior and first representative of the Cherokee Nation or tribe of Indians & Attacullaculla & Savanukah otherwise Coronoh for themselves and the rest of the whole nation being the Aborigines and sole owners by occupancy from the beginning of time of the Lands on the waters of Holston & Watauga river & other Lands & Territories hereunto belonging of the one part and Charles Robertson of the Settlement of Watauga of the other part Witnesseth, That the said Oconistoto for himself and the rest of the said Nation of Indians for and in consideration of Two thousand pounds of Lawful money of Great Britain to them in hand paid by the said Charles Robertson the receipt whereof the said Oconistoto and the whole nation do and for themselves and their whole Tribe of people have granted bargained and sold aliened enfeoffed released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeoff release and confirm unto him the said Charles Robertson his heirs and assigns forever all that tract territory or parcel of Land on the waters of Watauga, Holston and great Conaway or New River Beginning on the on the south or southwest side of Holston River six English Miles above the long Island in said river thence a direct line N.E. & So. W.t course to the ridge which divides the waters of Watauga from the waters of Nonachuckeh thence along the various courses of said ridge nearly a southeast course to the blue ridge or line dividing North Carolina from the Cherokee Lands, thence along the various courses of said ridge to the Virginia line thence West along the Virginia line to Holston river

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thence down the Meanders of Holston river to the first station
including all the waters of Watauga, part of the waters of Holston
and the head branches of new river or great Canaway, agreable
to the bounds aforesaid, and also the reversion & reversions remain-
der and remainders, rents and Issues thereof and all the Estate right
title Interest claim and demand whatsoever of them the said
Oconistoto and the aforesaid whole band or tribe of people in and
to the same premises & in and to every part and parcel there-
of. To have and to hold the said messuage and territory and
all and singular the premises above mentioned with the ap-
purtenances unto the said Charles Roberson his heirs and assigns
in severalty and tenants in common and not as joint to the
only proper use and behoof of the said Charles Roberson his
heirs and assigns forever under the yearly rent of four pence or to
be holden of the chief Lord or Lords of the Fee of the premises by
the rents and services therefor due and of right accustomed, and the
said Oconistoto and the said Nation for themselves do covenant and
grant to and with the said Charles Roberson his heirs and assigns
that they the said Oconistoto and the rest of the said Nation of
people now are lawfully and rightfully seized in their own right
a good sure perfect and absolute and indefeasible estate of In-
heritance in fee simple of and in all and singular the said
Messuage territory and premises above mentioned and of all &
every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances with
out any manner of condition mortgage limitation of use or uses
or other matter cause or thing to alter change charge or

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determine the same and also that the Cowetoto and the afore
said Nation now have good right full power and Lawful Author
ity in their own right to grand bargain sell and convey the said
Mesuage territory and premises above mentioned with the appur
tenances unto the said Charles Roberson his heirs and assigns
according to the true intent and meaning of these presents and also
the said Charles Roberson his heirs and assigns shall and may
from time to time and at all times hereafter peaceably and
quietly have hold posess and enjoy all and singular the said
premises above mentioned to be hereby granted with the app
purtenances, without the Let trouble hindrance molestation in
terruption and denial of them the said Cowetoto and the rest
or any of the said nation their heirs or assigns and of all and
every other person and persons whatsoever claiming or to claim
by from or under them or any of them, and Lastly the said
Cowetoto Attacullacully Savanuka Ahuraise Corronok for them
selves and in behalf of the whole nation and their heirs and
all and every other person and persons and his and their heirs
any thing having or claiming in the said Mesuage territory and
premises above mentioned or any part thereof by from or under
them shall and will at all times hereafter, at the request and
costs of the said Charles Roberson his heirs or assigns make do and
execute or cause or procure to be made done or executed all
and every further and other Lawful and reasonable grants and
and assurances in the Law whatsoever for the further better
and the more perfect granting conveying and assuring of the

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said premises hereby Granted with the appurtenances unto the said Charles Robertson his heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of the said Charles Robertson his heirs and assigns for ever according to the true intent and meaning of these presents ratifying and confirming and allowing all and whatsoever he shall do in the premises In Witness whereof the said Conistoto Allecullecully & Savannuka otherwise Cornnock for themselves and in behalf of the whole Nation hath hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first written.

Signed Sealed & delivered
In Presence of
John Sevier
Wm Bailey Smith
Jesse Benton
Tilman Dixon
William Blevins
Ths. Price
Jas. Dean

Conistoto his Mark Seal
Allecullecully his Mark Seal
Tonany Carter his Mark Seal
William Swanson his Mark Seal

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Joshua Haughton on the seventh day of May Anno domini one thousand Hundred and twenty five obtained a patent from this office for a tract of Land lying on the south side of Watauga river adjoining the same about half a mile below the mouth of Doe river bounded as follows To Wit: Beginning at a hickory on the bank of said river the dividing line between the said Haughton and Henry Lyles running thence South eighteen degrees East three hundred & twenty poles to two white oaks thence due East two hundred

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oaks on the south side of the creek thence S.W. 440 poles to a red oak and post oak growing together at the roots thence N. 79° W. 240 poles to a post oak on the north side of the creek 60 poles from the creek, thence N.W. N.E. 440 poles to forked Chestnut thence S. 79° E. 240 poles to the beginning containing 640 Acres more or less which tract was entered by the said Rapine the first day of June 1775 who obtained a warrant for surveying the same a plat of which was returned to this office by the hands of Wm. Bailey Smith Surveyor —

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William Bean on the Eighteenth day of November Anno Dom. seventeen hundred and seventy five obtained a patent from this office for a tract of Land lying on the treddy branch of Sinking or sinking creek beginning at three walnuts growing together at the roots in Wm. Beans line thence North sixty four degrees West sixty poles to a white oak and a post oak thence North twenty four degrees East forty poles to a white oak thence North sixty four degrees West Eighty poles to a white oak thence North twenty five degrees East three hundred and sixty poles to a post oak thence South sixty five degrees East one hundred and eighty poles to a post oak thence North thirty degrees West to the beginning 400 poles containing four hundred and twenty acres more or less which tract was entered by the said Bean the third day of April seventeen hundred and seventy five who obtained a warrant for surveying the same a plat of which was returned to this office by the hands of William Bailey Smith Surveyor.

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William Bean on the eighteenth day of November Anno Domini seventeen hundred & seventy five obtained a patent from this office for a tract of Land lying on Boons Creek bounded as follows to wit beginning at a hickory and Walnut on the south

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