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We find the following deed where Ephraim Lewis (1760? – 1820s?) sold some land to George Bishop on September 21, 1790. The transcribed text is presented below (spelling corrected), and then an image of the actual document.

Ephraim Lewis  
To  
George Bishop  
Deed No 355

This Indenture made this 15th day of September in the year of our Lord 1789 and in the 15th year of the Independency of the United States of America , Between Ephraim Lewis of Spartanburgh County of the State of South Carolina of the one part and George Bishop Senr of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty pounds good and Lawful money of South Carolina to him in and well and truly paid by the said George Bishop at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof hereby acknowledged hath granted Bargained sold alined **[John Note: “assigned”?]** Conveyed and confirmed unto the said George Bishop his Heirs and assigns forever all that plantation or tract of Land situate lying and being in the State of South Carolina and branch of Lawsons fork of Pacolet Begins at a White Oak thence N° 31 E 220 poles to a black oak thence N° 59 20 poles to a White Oak thence N° 31 E 220 poles to a black Oak thence S. 59 . E 220 poles to the Beginning Containing three hundred acres together with the appurtenances situate lying and being in the County and State aforesaid with their and every of their appurtenances rights members and appurtenances whatsoever and the Reversion & the Reversions, and remainder and Remainder of all and Singular the said Tenements Hereditaments and premises hereby granted or intended to be granted and of every part & parcel thereof & all Rents Issues services and profits to them or any of them or any part or parcel of them incident belonging or appertaining and also all and every the Estate and assets rights titles Claims Interest and demands. Whatsoever of him the said Ephraim Lewis his heirs Executors admin<sup>st</sup> or assigns into or out of the said Land Tenement

hereditaments and premises whatsoever hereby Granted or mentioned to be granted or any part or parcel thereof , To have and to hold the said land Tenements hereditaments and premises hereby granted with their appurtenances to the said George Bishop his heirs and assigns to the only proper use & behoof of him the said George Bishop his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Ephraim Lewis for himself his heirs Executors admin<sup>st</sup> doth promise covenant and agree that he the said Ephraim Law him his heirs Executors admin<sup>st</sup> shall and will warrant & forever defend the said premises to him the said Geo Bishop Senr his heirs and assigns against all lawful claims and demands whatsoever by the above mentioned premises might or may be affected or Incumbered contrary to the true intent and meaning of these presents - In witness whereof the said Ephraim Lewis have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed & delivered  
in presence of us

Ephraim Lewis {seal}

George Bishop  
W<sup>m</sup> Liles  
George Miles

South Carolina  
Spartanburgh County

William Liles personally came before me and made oath that he saw Ephraim Lewis sign seal & Deliver the written Deed to George Bishop for the use and purpose written mentioned and that he saw George Miller and George Bishop Set their hands as witnessed to the same - Sworn to before me this 21st of Sept 1790.

D. Goodlak, J. D.

Ephraim Lewis } This Indenture made this 15<sup>th</sup>. day of  
To George Bishop } September in the year of our Lord 1789-  
Deed No 343 } And in the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the Independence  
of the United States of America, Between  
Ephraim Lewis of Chautauque County of the State of South Caro-  
lina of the One part and George Bishop Esq. of the Other part  
Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty  
Pounds good and Lawful Money of South Carolina to him in  
hand Well and truly paid by the said George Bishop at or before  
the sealing and delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof  
is hereby Acknowledged hath Granted Bargained sold aliened  
Conveyed and Confirmed unto the said George Bishop



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his heirs and assigns forever all that plantation or tract of Land situate lying and being in the State of South Carolina on a branch of Lawsons Fork of Pascholet River at a White Oak thence N. 31 E. 220 Poles to a black oak thence N. 59 W. 20 Poles to a White Oak thence N. 31 E. 220 Poles to a black Oak thence S. 59 E. 220 Poles to the Beginning containing three hundred Acres Together with the Appurtenances situate lying and being in the County and State aforesaid With their and every of their Appurtenances Rights members and Appurtenances whatsoever and the Reversion & the Reversions, and remainder and Remainders ~~Parts~~ of all and Singular the said Tenements Hereditaments and Premises hereby granted or Intended to be Granted and of every part & parcel thereof all Rents Issues Services and Profits to them or any of them or any part or parcel of them incident belonging or appertaining and also all and every the Estate and Appert rights tithes Claims Interest and demands whatsoever of him the said Ephraim Lewis his heirs Executors Admors. or assigns into or out of the said Land Tenement hereditament and premises whatsoever hereby Granted or mentioned to be granted or any part or parcel thereof To have And to hold the said Land Tenements hereditaments and Premises hereby granted with their Appurtenances to the said George Bishop Senior his heirs and assigns to the only proper use & behoof of him the said George Bishop his heirs and assigns forever, And the said Ephraim Lewis for himself his heirs Executors Admors. doth promise covenant and agree that he the said Ephraim Lewis him his heirs Executors Admors. shall and will warrant & defend the said Premises to him the said Geo. Bishop Senior his heirs And assigns against all lawful Claims and demands whatsoever by the above mentioned premises might or may be affected or Incumbered Contrary to the true intent and meaning of these presents — In witness Whereof the said Ephraim Lewis have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above Written —

signed Seal & delivered  
in presence of us

George Bishop  
Wm. Miles  
George Miles

South Carolina

Trantabugh County

William Bates personally came before me And made oath that he saw Ephraim Lewis sign seal & deliver the Within Deed to George Bishop for the use and purpose within mentioned and that he saw George Miller & George Bishop Junr. set their hands as Witnesses to the same — Sworn to before me this 21<sup>st</sup> of Sept. 1790

R. Goodlett J.P.