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to a black gum in another prong of said creek thence up  
 said prong North 50 East 90 feet to a sweet gum in said prong  
 thence North East 30 poles to a pine thence North 80 West 60  
 poles to a stake where a highway was formerly created for thence  
 South 77 West 92 poles to a water oak near the head of a  
 small branch thence down said branch as it meanders to  
 a cypress & across a cypress to a pine opposite the mouth of  
 said branch thence up a cypress to the beginning containing  
 Eighty four acres more or less To have & to hold the above described  
 lands and premises to him the said W. J. Robinson & his heirs forever  
 in fee simple and the said John Balkcom doth further covenant  
 save himself & his heirs ever & assigns to account forever  
 defend the title of the above mentioned lands & premises to said  
 W. J. Robinson & his heirs against all lawful claims. Provided  
 never the less that it is the true intent and meaning of these grants  
 that whereas said John Balkcom is justly indebted to said  
 W. J. Robinson in the sum of Twenty eight dollars or there abouts as  
 an reference to a certain bond dated on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October 1842  
 for the sum of twenty five dollars on which is endorsed a credit  
 of fifteen dollars, said bond due the 25<sup>th</sup> of December next  
 And also a bond for the sum of ~~three~~ <sup>two</sup> dollars dated the 16<sup>th</sup> of ~~May~~ <sup>May</sup> 1843  
 & due the 25<sup>th</sup> of the same month December next And also a  
 bond for the sum of eight dollars dated the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 1843  
 & due the 14<sup>th</sup> of the same month will more fully appear  
 Now if the said John Balkcom shall due well and truly pay the  
 said W. J. Robinson the several amounts due in the several bonds  
 above described or so secure the same as shall be satisfactory to  
 said W. J. Robinson together with all interest & cost which may  
 accrue on the same on or before the first day of May next (1844)  
 then the foregoing deed & conveyance to be void  
 otherwise to remain in full force and virtue In Testimony whereof  
 said John Balkcom has hereunto set his hand & seal the day &  
 date first above written

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of John Balkcom Clerk  
 of W. R. Ward  
 Harman Balkcom

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter  
 Sampson County Session August Term 1843  
 Then was the foregoing Deed duly proven in open Court by the  
 oath of Harman Balkcom as subscribing witness and ordered  
 to be Registered Thomas T. Hewson Clerk  
 Registered the 26<sup>th</sup> of September 1843 W. Royal Regr

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