

### **Bounty Land, John Simmons**

W.26964 (Widow: Mary) They were married June 5, 1785. John died in 1812. Mary died about 23d of October 1844. Kezia Smith, Margaret Jacobs, and Hannah Baldwin are the surviving children. Private, Captain Davis, Col. Fisher.

To all people to whom these presents shall come greeting, know ye that whereas in pursuance of an act of the Legislature of this State of New York entitled an act to carry into effect the concurrent resolution and acts for granting certain lands promised to be given as bounty lands and for other purposes therein mentioned. This was granted and confirmed until John Simmonds all that certain tract or lot of land situate lying and being in the late County of Montgomery and in the Township of Marcellus known and distinguished on a map of the said Township filed by the Surveyor General in the Secretaries Office agreeably by lot number thirty six containing six hundred acres together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining excepting and recurring to them all Gold and Silver mines and also five acres out of every hundred of said tract or lot of land for highways. Now know ye that I John Simmonds aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and seventy pounds good and lawful money of the State of New York have given granted bargained solid alined enfroffed and confirmed and by these presents do enfrof convey and confirm unto Platt Carll of Huntington in Suffolk County and State of New York Six Hundred acres being the whole of the above mentioned tract or lot of land unto him the said Platt Carll his heirs and assigns forever all & singular the right hired taments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining excepting and reserving to the people of the State of New York the several privalages above described to have and to hold all the above granted premises with the appurtenances unto him the said Platt Carll his heirs and assigns forever. And I the said John Simmonds and the lawful owner of the above mentioned premises and have in myself full power good right and lawful authority to sell and dispose of the said—in manner and form as afore said. And that he the said Platt Carll his heirs and assigns shall and may forever and at all times hereafter by virtue of these presents lawfully peaceably and quietly have hold use occupy possess and enjoy all the above said [?] premises with the appurtenances free and clear from all former gifts grants bargains sales mortgages executions and incumberances whatsoever on condition nevertheless that within the term of seven years computed from the first of January next ensuing the date of the letter patent which bears date the eighth day of July one thousand seven hundred and ninety three shall be our actual settlement made on the said tract or lot of land so granted, otherwise the said letter patent and the estate thereby granted to cease determine and become void and I Mary Simmonds wife of John Simmonds being willing to ratify and confirm the above bargain and sale do hereby yield up and surrender all my right of dowery and power of Thirds of the above bargained premises and appurtenances until him the said Platt Carll his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof we the said John Simmonds and Mary Simmonds have hereunto set our hands and fixed our seals this second day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hunred and Ninety Four. Johns Simmons SS. (Her Mark) Mary Simmonds SS.

Signed Sealed and declared in presents of Phineas Carll and Amos Powell.  
New York SS.

On this twenty fifth day of February in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety six before me James M. Hughes Master in Chancery personally came John Seaman one of the grantors in the written instrument named who acknowledged that he duly executed the same and I having perused it and finding no material erasurer or interlineations therein except the word six written on an erasure on the fourteenth line which he acknowledged was so done before execution do allow it to be recorded as to him. James M. Hughes. Recorded the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1796 at 2 oclock P.M. Ben Ledyard Clk