

I know all Men by these presents, that I James Smith of the district of
Baton Rouge, Planter, have for good reasons & causes, bargain'd & sold
& do hereby bargain & sell, for & in consideration of the sum of Two
Hundred, Dollars Current money to me in hand paid, before the
signing & sealing hereof, to David Ross of New Orleans Merchant,
my one half of a certain Tract of Land, formerly belonging to and
banded by Phillip Cornyn & said to contain Two Thousand
Acres, English measure, known by N. 211, containing in front Twenty
Eight Acres more or less, & in depth ^{more or less} Forty Acres, situated on the East
of the River Mississippi, & part whereof is facing Pedreons Island, &
bounding North on Lands granted to the said David Ross, & South
on Lands granted to Francis Pousset & David Ross, which Tract of
Land was granted to Benjamin Smith & James Smith, conjointly
by his Excellency Governor Miro, as will appear by the Grant of the
same, dated at New Orleans, the eight day of November, One Thousand
seven hundred & Eighty five, & which Tract of Land is an undivided
Property betwixt the said Benjamin Smith & me, the aforesaid

~~Benjamin Smith, of~~ ~~whom~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~well~~ ~~known~~ ~~to~~ ~~all~~ ~~whom~~
may concern, that I James Smith have this day bargain'd & sold
my said undivided half Tract of the aforesaid Tract of Land, containing
Twenty eight Acres more or less in front, & Forty Acres in depth ^{more or less} to David
Ross of New Orleans Merchant, for & in consideration of the aforesaid
sum of Two hundred Dollars, Current money to me in hand paid,
the Receipt of which I do hereby acknowledge & do give & grant
the said David Ross his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, & Assigns
for ever, all the right & Title given & granted to me by the
Governor Miro, to the said Tract of Land, containing as aforesaid
Twenty eight Acres more or less in front & Forty Acres in depth
more or less.

In witness whereof I hereby put my hand & Seal
at Baton Rouge this Thirtieth day of December, in the year of our
Lord, One Thousand seven hundred & Eighty six.

Witness
James Price

James Smith

I Ann Smith spouse, of the within mention'd James Smith
do of my free will & accord, consent to the within Bill of Sale
made by my said Husband, James Smith, to the said David
as witness my hand & seal at Baton Rouge this Thirtieth
day of December, One Thousand seven hundred & Eighty

Witness

Benjamin Smith

Copy to

Sale of land from J. Smith
& A Smith his wife

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James Smith