Sarah Horton — Kentucky Land Grant — Survey and Grant No. 9397 (Henderson County Court certificate, May 1805)

200 Acres on the Waters of Tradewater, Hopkins County

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Abstract

At the May 1805 Henderson County Court, Sarah Horton claimed 200 acres on account of settling the land, under the Act for settling and improving the vacant lands of the Commonwealth. The claim lay on the waters of Tradewater, beginning on Addison Lewis's military line fifty poles north of her improvement, running eastwardly and then southwardly and round for quantity so as to include her improvement. The court found that she had a right to a settlement of 200 acres and ordered a certificate to issue (a copy, teste Am. Barbour, Clk.). On 26 January 1808 Eli Bishop, D.S., for John Gordon, S.H.C., surveyed the 200 acres in Hopkins County, beginning on two gums and a white oak in Addison Lewis's military line and running to corners of Robert Robertson and William Stuart. William Stuart and Robert Robertson carried the chain and James Kuykendall was marker. Eliezer Givens's KLG 9309 was surveyed the same day by the same crew. The survey was received on 8 June 1808 and recorded in Book 10, page 128. On 8 June 1808 the Register received $3.65, the first instalment under the act of 1800, and on 21 December 1808 the Auditor received the balance, $36.35, in full, "under the 20

dollar act." Governor Charles Scott issued Grant No. 9397 to Sarah Horton on 22 December 1808. A margin note says the patent was examined and delivered to Eleazer Givens the same day.

Survey Description

Metes and bounds as written in the survey; the patent agrees except as noted in brackets. Distances are in poles. The courses close exactly.

Beginning on two gums and a white oak in Addison Lewis's military line; thence South 45 East 64 poles to a white oak; thence South 45 West 64 poles to two black oaks, Robert Robertson's corner [patent: Robert Robinson's]; thence South 45 East 125 poles to a gum, dogwood and black oak, William Stuart's corner [patent: Stewart's]; thence South 45 West with said line 148 poles to three white oaks; thence North 45 West 189 poles to a white oak, hickory and dogwood; thence North 45 East 212 poles to the beginning. January 26th 1808. William Stuart, Robert Robertson, C.C.; James Kuykendall, M.; by Eli Bishop, D.S., for John Gordon, S.H.C. Exd. & Recd.

Record Summary

Certificate	Henderson County Court, May 1805; no number on the certificate, receipts or patent
Survey / Register Number	No. 9397 (archivist's stamp "SGR-9397" on the back of the certificate and receipts)
Patentee	Sarah Horton, original claimant; no assignment. Patent delivered to Eleazer Givens (see Research Notes)
Acreage	200 acres
Watercourse	Waters of Tradewater
Location	Hopkins County (certificate from the Henderson County Court, before Hopkins was formed in 1807)
Certificate Date	May County Court 1805 (the certificate's year is written over and could be read 1807; the receipt and patent both say May 1805)
Survey Date	January 26, 1808
Recording	Survey received 8 June 1808, recorded Book 10, page 128 (survey back: "B 10 P 128"). Patent at pages 430–431 of the patent book.
Patent / Grant Issued	22 December 1808, Governor Charles Scott; J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, Secretary
County Surveyor	John Gordon, S.H.C.

Deputy Surveyor / Chain Carriers / Marker	Eli Bishop, D.S.; William Stuart and Robert Robertson, chain carriers; James Kuykendall, marker
State Price	$3.65 first instalment (8 June 1808) and $36.35 in full (21 December 1808), "under the 20 dollar act"
Patent Delivered	To Eleazer Givens, 22 December 1808 (margin note)

Chronology

May 1805	Sarah Horton claims 200 acres before the Henderson County Court, beginning on Addison Lewis's military line fifty poles north of her improvement; certificate ordered (copy, teste Am. Barbour, Clk.)
January 26, 1808	200 acres surveyed for Sarah Horton in Hopkins County by Eli Bishop, D.S., for John Gordon, S.H.C.; William Stuart and Robert Robertson, chain carriers; James Kuykendall, marker. Givens's KLG 9309 surveyed the same day.
June 8, 1808	Survey received; recorded Book 10, page 128. Register's Office receipt: the Treasurer's receipt for $3.65 received of Sarah Horton, first instalment on 200 acres in Henderson County granted in May 1805, under the act of 1800; Mark Hardin, Register
December 21, 1808	Auditor's Office receipt: the Treasurer's receipt for $36.35 received of Sarah Horton, in full on a certificate for 200 acres in Henderson County, "under the 20 dollar act"; Geo. Madison, Auditor (endorsed "Recd 21st Dec")
December 22, 1808	Grant No. 9397 issued to Sarah Horton by Governor Charles Scott; J. [Jesse] Bledsoe, Secretary. Examined and delivered to Eleazer Givens the same day (margin note)

Persons Named in the Record

Sarah Horton	Original claimant and patentee; her improvement lay fifty poles south of Addison Lewis's military line. A Sarah Horton witnessed, by her mark, Amos Robertson's 1805 assignment of KLG 3147.2

Eleazer Givens	Received the patent, 22 December 1808 (margin note). Adjoining owner: his KLG 9309 runs along this survey's west and north-west sides
Addison Lewis	Owner of the military line on which this survey begins (KLG 3161, 4,000 acres, patented to Thomas Pemberton). Holder's KLG 8557 reads "Anderson Lewis"
Robert Robertson	Chain carrier; adjoining owner ("Robert Robertson's corner"; the patent writes "Robert Robinson's"). Also chain carrier on KLG 9309
William Stuart	Chain carrier; adjoining owner ("William Stuart's corner" and "with said line"; the patent writes "Stewart"). Also chain carrier on KLG 9309
James Kuykendall	Marker ("James Kuykendall, M."). Possibly the James Kuykendall of KLG 8533; not established
Eli Bishop	Deputy Surveyor who conducted the January 1808 survey, for John Gordon
John Gordon	Surveyor of Hopkins County
Am. Barbour	Clerk of the Henderson County Court
Mark Hardin	Register; signed the 8 June 1808 receipt
Geo. Madison	Auditor; signed the 21 December 1808 receipt
Charles Scott	Governor of Kentucky; signed the patent
J. [Jesse] Bledsoe	Secretary of Kentucky; countersigned the Grant

Land Description

A 200-acre, six-sided tract on the waters of Tradewater in Hopkins County, on 45-degree bearings. Its first side runs South 45 East 64 poles along Addison Lewis's military line, the south-west side of KLG 3161, and the tract lies south-west of that line.

Research Notes

Ties to KLG 9309. Givens's 360-acre survey, made the same day by the same surveyor and chain carriers, runs to "three white oaks, Sarah Horton's south-west corner," then "with said line" North 45 West 189 poles to a white oak, hickory and dogwood, and North 45 East 212 poles to two gums and a white oak in Addison Lewis's military line. Those are this survey's last two calls, corner for corner. So 9309 lies along this survey's west and north-west sides, and this survey's beginning is 9309's corner in Lewis's line. From there 9309 runs 40 poles north-west along

Lewis's line to Shadrack Holder's corner (KLG 8557), so Holder's square and this survey lie 40 poles apart on the same side of Lewis's line, with 9309 between them.

Patent delivered to Eleazer Givens. The patent's margin reads "Exd. & Dd. to Eleazer Givens, 22 Decr 1808." This records the delivery of the patent, not a sale or assignment. Givens owned the adjoining 9309, and William R. Weir later received Givens's own patents in the same way. Why Givens collected Horton's patent is not stated.

Sarah Horton in other records. A Sarah Horton, by her mark, witnessed Amos Robertson's assignment of William Owen's claim (KLG 3147.2) to Frederick McClendon on 30 October 1805, the year this certificate was granted. 3147.2 is the 200-acre Givens survey at which 9309 begins. Whether she is the same Sarah Horton is likely but not established. James Kuykendall, the marker here, may be the James Kuykendall of KLG 8533 (assignee of Simon Kuykendall, surveyed in Hopkins County in November 1807); also not established.

Name variants. The survey writes "Robert Robertson" and "William Stuart"; the patent writes "Robert Robinson" and "William Stewart." The patent also writes Addison Lewis's line as in the survey; Holder's KLG 8557, a few poles away, reads "Anderson Lewis" throughout.

Date of the certificate. The certificate's heading reads "May County Court 180[5]," with the last digit written over and possibly read as 7. The Register's receipt and the patent both say the certificate was granted in May 1805, and Hopkins County, where the land was surveyed, was formed in 1807. This report uses May 1805.

Certificate number. No certificate number appears on the certificate, the receipts or the patent (the patent's blank for the number is empty). The certificate came from the Henderson County Court before Hopkins County was formed, which is why the survey is in Hopkins County; it was not a removed certificate. The earlier report's suggestion that it was has been withdrawn.

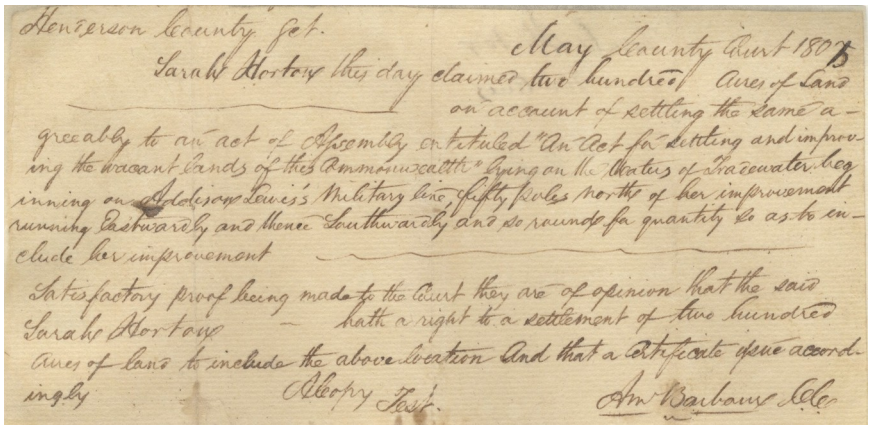
Recording. The survey's back reads "Recd 8 June 1808, No. 9397, Grant issued 22nd December 1808" and "B 10 P 128," the survey record book; KLG 9309 was recorded in the same book at page 75. The patent itself is on pages 430–431 of the patent book. A short note above "B 10 P 128" is not confidently read. The earlier report called Book 10, page 128 the grant book.

Receipts. The earlier report dated the Auditor's receipt 20 December 1808; it reads "Decem. 21st 1808" and is endorsed "Recd 21st Dec." The Register's receipt adds that the first instalment was paid under the act of 1800, and the Auditor's receipt strikes "with interest" and the printed name of the act and writes "under the 20 dollar act." The patent was issued the next day.

The archival stamp "SGR-9397" (South of Green River, Series 9397) appears on the back of both the Certificate and the Receipt; consistent with the archival-notation pattern (not part of the original record) already established elsewhere in this collection, e.g., "S.G.R. 2129" on the Sphear Fort record.

No outside sources were consulted beyond the record images themselves for this report.

Images / Appendix



Henderson County Sct.

May County Court 1805

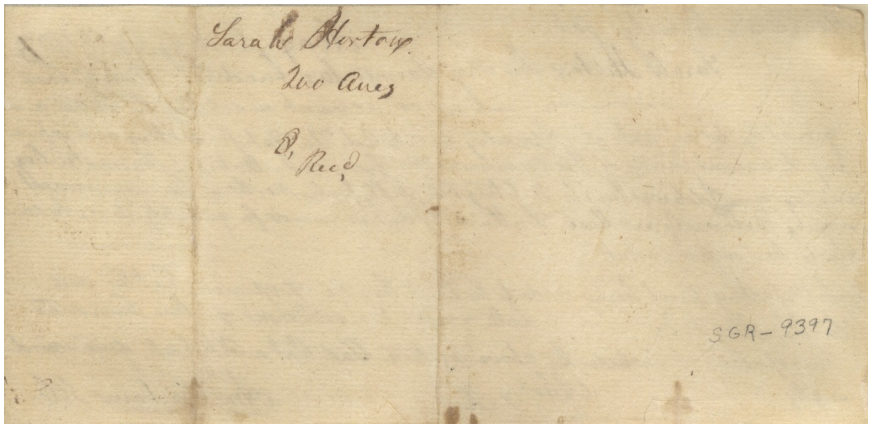
Sarah Horton this day claimed two hundred Acres of Land on account of settling the same agreeably to an act of Assembly entituled "An Act for settling and improving the vacant lands of this Commonwealth" lying on the Waters of Tradewater beginning on Addison Lewis's Military line, fifty poles north of her improvement running Eastwardly and thence Southwardly and so round for quantity so as to include her improvement

Satisfactory proof being made to the Court they are of opinion that the said Sarah Horton — hath a right to a settlement of two hundred Acres of land to include the above location And that a Certificate issue accordingly

A Copy Test.

Am Barbour C.C.

Appendix Image 1. Henderson County Court Certificate to Sarah Horton, May 1805 — Front.



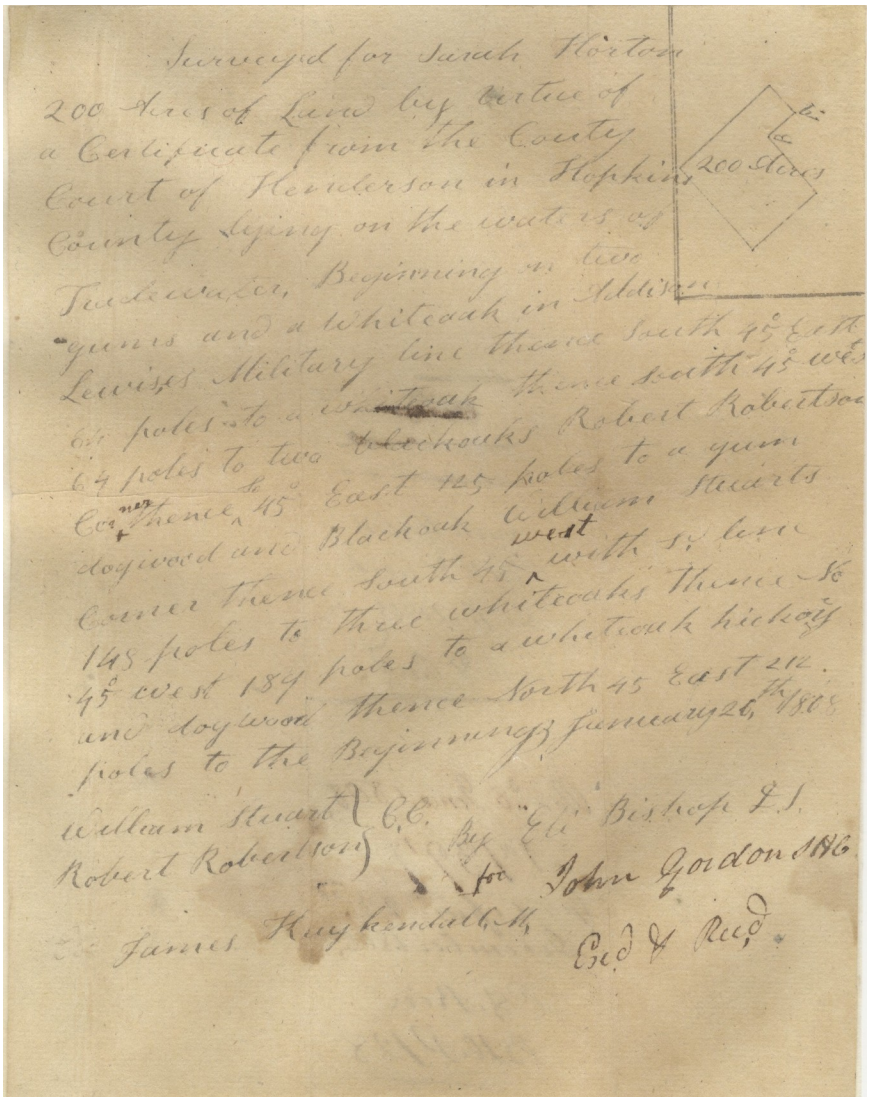
Sarah Horton

200 Acres

B, Recd

SGR-9397

Appendix Image 2. Henderson County Court Certificate — Back (docket).



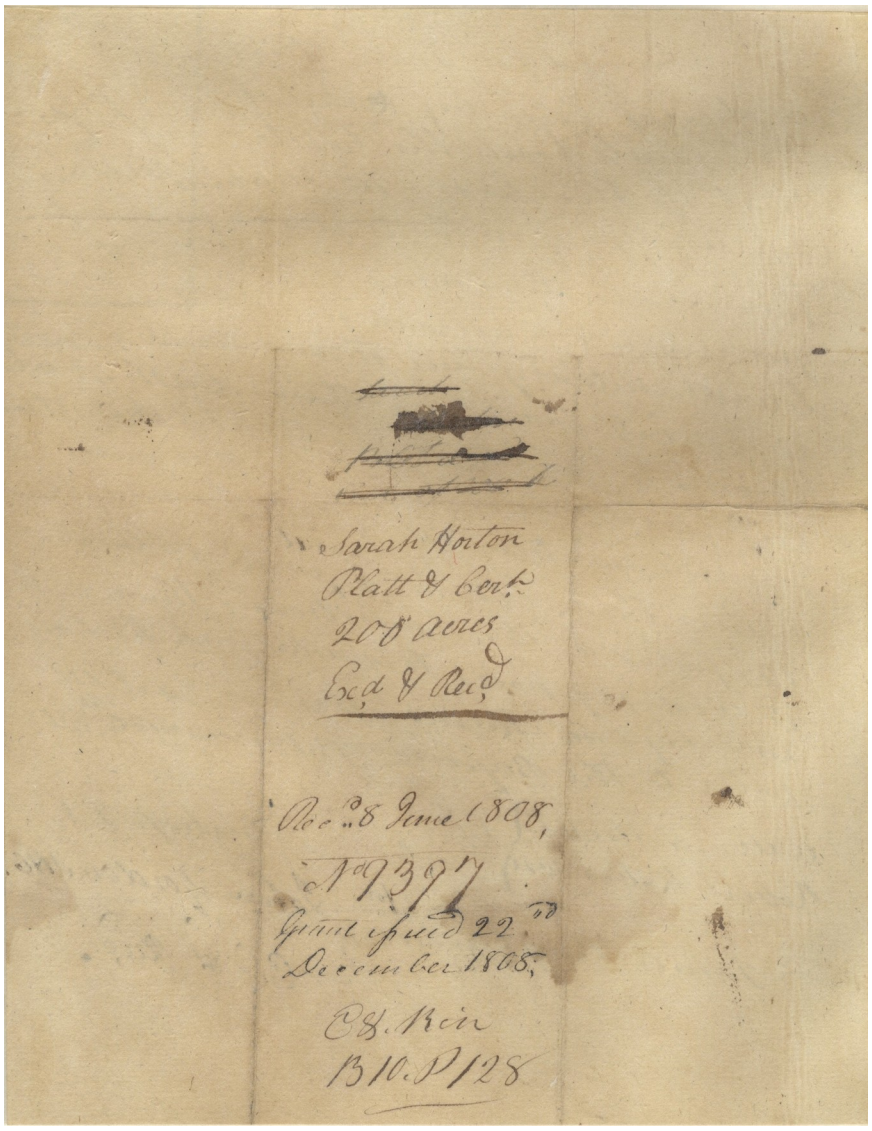
Surveyed for Sarah Horton
200 Acres of Land by Virtue of
a Certificate from the County
Court of Henderson in Hopkins
County lying on the waters of
Tradewater, Beginning on two
gums and a Whiteoak in Addison
Lewis's Military line thence South 45° Eath
64 poles to a whiteoak thence south 45° west
64 poles to two blackoaks Robert Robertson
Corner thence so 45° East 125 poles to a gum
dogwood and Blackoak William Stuarts
Corner thence South 45 west with sd line
148 poles to three whiteoaks thence No
45° west 189 poles to a whiteoak hickory
and dogwood thence North 45 East 212
poles to the Beginning January 26th 1808

William Stuart } C.C. By Eli Bishop D.S.
Robert Robertson } for John Gordon SHC

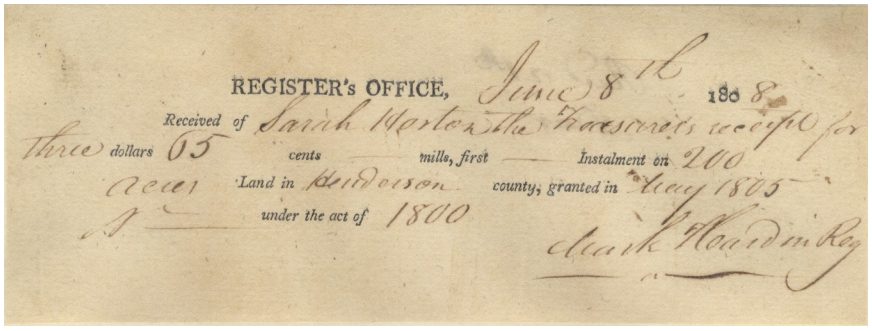
James Haykendall M.

Exd & Recd

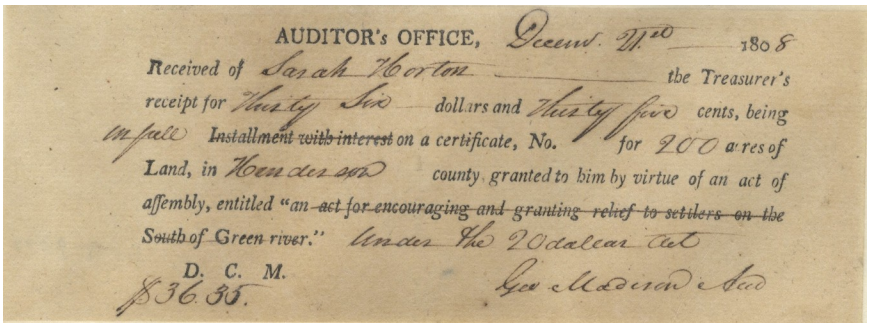
Appendix Image 3. Survey No. 9397 — Front (metes and bounds, plat), January 26, 1808.



Appendix Image 4. Survey No. 9397 — Back (recording docket).



Appendix Image 5. Register's Office Receipt, June 8, 1808 — Front.



AUDITOR's OFFICE, Decemr. 21st 1808

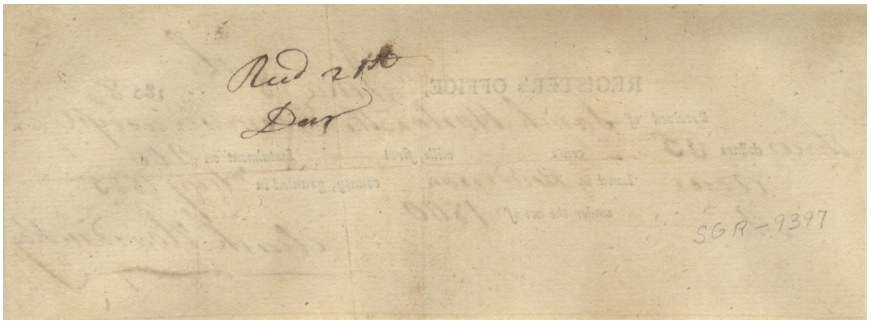
Received of Sarah Horton the Treasurer's receipt for Thirty Six dollars and Thirty five cents, being in full ~~Installment with interest~~ on a certificate, No. for 200 acres of Land, in Henderson county, granted to him by virtue of an act of assembly, entitled "an ~~act for encouraging and granting relief to settlers on the South of Green river.~~" Under the 20 dollar act

D. C. M.

$36.35.

Geo Madison Aud

Appendix Image 6. Auditor's Office Receipt, December 21, 1808 — Front.



Recd 21st Dec

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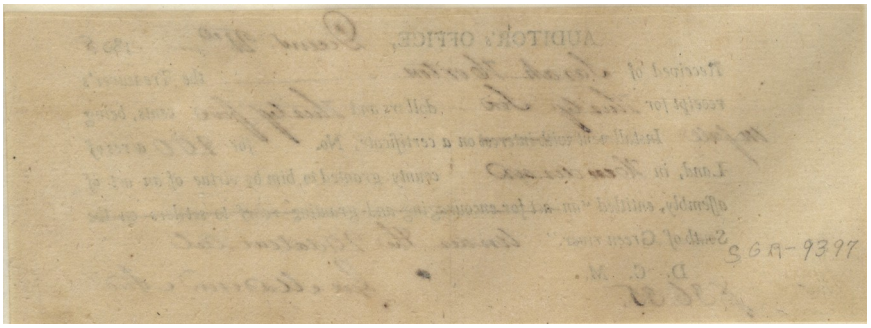
Appendix Image 7. Register's Office Receipt — Back.



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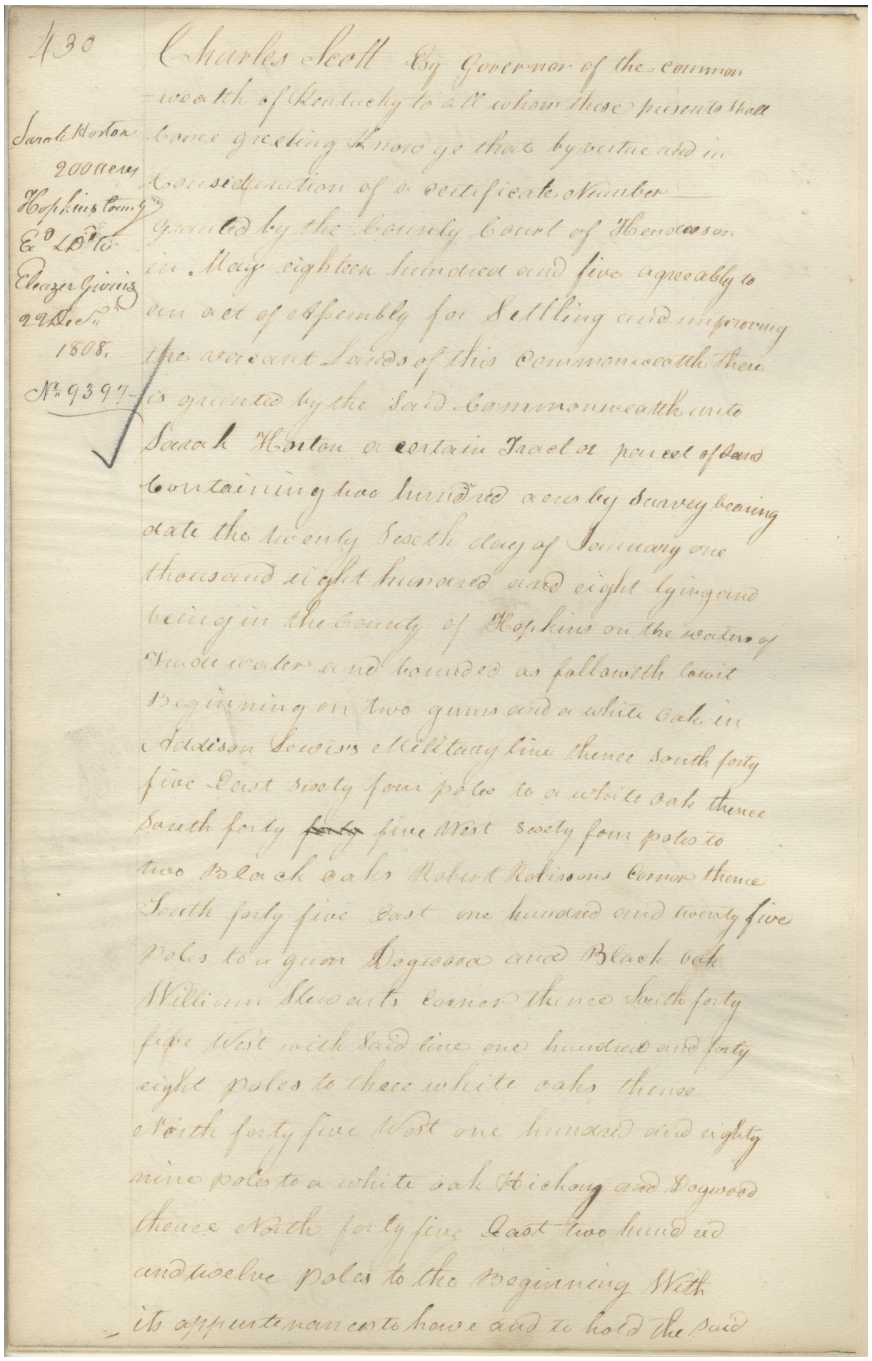
Appendix Image 8. Auditor's Office Receipt — Back.



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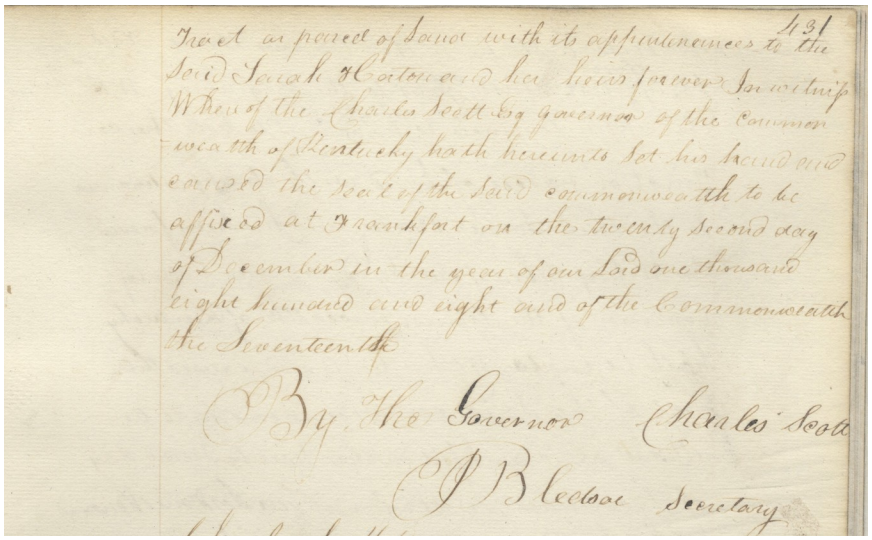
Sarah Horton
200 acres
Hopkins County
E^d L^d to
Eleazer Giving
22 Dec^r
1808.
No. 9397

Charles Scott Esq Governor of the common-
-wealth of Kentucky to all whom these presents shall
come greeting Know ye that by virtue and in
Consideration of a certificate Number
granted by the County Court of Henderson
in May eighteen hundred and five agreeably to
an act of Assembly for Settling and improving
the vacant Lands of this Commonwealth there
is granted by the Said Commonwealth unto
Sarah Horton a certain Tract or parcel of land
Containing two hundred acres by Survey bearing
date the twenty Seseth day of January one
thousand eight hundred and eight lying and
being in the County of Hopkins on the waters of
Trade water and bounded as followeth to wit
Beginning on two gums and a white oak in
Addison Lewis's Military line thence South forty
five East sixty four poles to a white oak thence
South forty ~~forty~~ five West sixty four poles to
two Black oaks Robert Robinsons Corner thence
South forty five East one hundred and twenty five
poles to a gum Dogwood and Black oak
William Stewarts Corner thence South forty
five West with Said line one hundred and forty
eight poles to three white oaks thence
North forty five West one hundred and eighty
nine poles to a white oak Hickory and Dogwood
thence North forty five East two hundred
and twelve poles to the Beginning With
its appurtenances to have and to hold the Said

Appendix Image 9. Grant/Patent to Sarah Horton, December 22, 1808 — Page 1.



Tract a parcel of Land with its appurtenances to the
Said Sarah Horton and her heirs forever In witness
Whereof the Charles Scott Esq governor of the Common
wealth of Kentucky hath hereunto Set his hand and
caused the Seal of the Said Commonwealth to be
affixed at Frankfort on the twenty Second day
of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and eight and of the Commonwealth
the Seventeenth

By the Governor Charles Scott

J. B Bledsoe Secretary

Appendix Image 10. Grant/Patent — Page 2, signatures of Governor Charles Scott and Secretary J. [Jesse] Bledsoe.