State of North Carolina }
Washington County.— }

Personally Appeared before me Downing Leary one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County; Ezekiel Hardison who being Duly Sworn Deposeth and Saith; That he has been well acquainted with Mary Barber, the wife of John D Barber, thirteen or fourteen years- That Since the year of 1813 and from that time She has lived in a State of adultry with three different Personsones- This deponent further States that She is Considered as one of the basest Prostitutes and drunkards- that can be found and entirely unfit for Civilized Society- This deponent further States that he does believe that John D Barber always treated her kindly and affectionately whilst she could be prevailed on to live with him, and he never did hear the ~~[illegible]~~ said barber treated her otherwise that even after She left Barber he declared if She would abandon her course of life and return to him again that he would receive and Maintain her.—

Further this deponent saith not

Ezekiel Hardison

Sworn to and subscribed before me this D L Cary Jr
third day of November 1824