This indenture made the 7 day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two between Abraham Byrd overseer of the poor for the first district of the county of Rockingham of the one part and Madison Moore of said county of the other part witnesseth that the said Abraham Byrd overseer of the poor as aforesaid by virtue of an order of court of the aforesaid county bearing date the 15 day of September 1842 have put placed and bound and by these presents do put place and bind Joseph A Nelson of the age of 10 years he being a free boy of couler to be an apprentice with him the said Madison Moore to dwell form the date of these presents until the said Joseph A Nelson shall attain the age of twenty one years according to the act of the general assembly By and during all which time and term the said Joseph A Nelson shall the said Madison Moore his master well and faithfully serve in all such lawful business as the said Joseph A Nelson shall be out unto by him said master according to the power wit and ability of him the said Joseph A Nelson and honestly and obediently in all things shall beave himself towards his said master and family of the said Madison Moore and the said Madison Moore for his part for himself his executors and administrators doth hereby promis and covenant to and with the said overseer of the poor and every of them there and every of their executors and administrators and every of their successors for the time being and to and with the said Joseph A Nelson that he the said Madison Moore shall instruct the said Joseph A Nelson in art of the farming business to the best of his ability or thereto belongeth and that the said Madison Moore shal also find and allow unto the said apprentice sufficient meat drink Apperal washing lodging and all other things needful or nect for an apprentice during the term aforesaid and also that the said Madison Moore shall pay to said overseer of the poor or their successors the sum of twenty seven dollars and twenty eight cents in ten yearly annual payments of two dollars and seventy eight cents and will moreover pay the said Joseph A Nelson the sum of two dollars and seventy eight cents at the expiration of the aforesaid term in witness where the parties have interchangeably set their hands and seals to these presents the day and year first above written