

This indenture made this fifth day of October in the year of our lord 1818 between Aaron Solomon one of the overseers of the poor of the Rockingham district in the county of Rockingham of the one part and John Counce of Kisseltown of said county of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Aaron Solomon overseer of the poor as aforesaid, by virtue of an order of the court of the aforesaid county bearing date January court 1814 have put placed and bound and by these presents do put, place and bind Ezekiel black boy of the age of sixteen years on the fifth day of March 1814 to be an apprentice with him the said John Counce and as an apprentice with him the said John Counce to dwell from the date of these presents until the said Ezekiel shall come to the age of twentyone years according to the act of the General Assembly in that case made and provided by and during all which time and term the said Ezekial shall the said John Counce his said master well and faithfully serve in all such lawful business as the said Ezekiel shall be out unto by his said master according to the power witt and ability of him the said Ezekiel and honestly and obediently in all things shall behave himself towards his said master and honestly and orderly towards the rest of the family of the said John Counce and the said John Counce for his part for himself his executors and administrators doth hereby promise and covenant to and with the said overseers of the poor and every of them their and every of their executors and administrators and their every of their successors for the time being and to and with the said Ezekiel that he the said John Counce shall the said Ezekiel in the craft, mystery and occupation of a tanner which he the said John Counce now useth, after the best manner that he can or may teach, instruct and inform or cause to be taught, instructed and informed as much as thereunto belongeth or in any wise appertaineth and that the said John Counce shall also find and allow unto the said apprentice sufficient meat, drink, apparel, washing, lodging, and all other things needful or meat for an apprentice during the term aforesaid and will more over pay to the said Ezekiel twenty dollars at the expiration of the aforesaid term. In witness whereof the parties to these presents have interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year first above written

Signed and sealed in the presence of