

THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH,

THAT *J Mathias Lair* one of the overseers of the poor of *Rockingham County* by an order of Court to me directed hath put himself, and by these Presents, *I Bind out Peter Brown*

doth Voluntarily, and of his own free Will and Accord, put himself Apprentice to *Henry Stolp*

to learn his Art, Trade and Mystery; and after the Manner of an Apprentice, to serve the said *Henry Stolp* from the Day of the Date hereof, for, and during, and unto the full End and Term of *Twenty one Years*

during all which Term the said Apprentice his said Master faithfully shall serve, his Secrets keep, his lawful Commands at all Times readily Obey: He shall do no Damage to his said Master, nor see it to be done by others, without giving Notice thereof to his said Master: He shall not waste his said Master's Goods, nor lend them unlawfully to any: He shall not commit Fornication, nor contract Matrimony within the said Term. At Cards, Dice, or any other unlawful Game, he shall not play, whereby his said Master may have Damage. With his own Goods, nor the Goods of others, without License from his Master, he shall not buy nor sell. He shall not absent himself Day or Night from his said Master's Service, without his Leave, nor haunt Alehouses, Taverns, or Playhouses, but in all Things behave himself as a faithful Apprentice ought to do, during the said Term. And the said Master shall use the utmost of his Endeavours to teach, or cause to be taught or instructed, the said Ap-

prentice, in the Trade or Mystery of *Weaving and give him such freedom* *as the Law directs* or *three pounds ten* and also give *him a horse saddle and bridle worth ten pounds* and to learn *him read write and cypher through the rule of three* and procure or provide for him sufficient Meat, Drink, Clothes, Washing and Lodging, fitting for an Apprentice, during the said Term of *thirteen years from the thirty first day of December in the year of one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight*

And for the true Performance of all and singular the Covenants and Agreements aforesaid, the Parties bind themselves, each unto the other, firmly by these Presents, IN WITNESS whereof, the said Parties have interchangeably set their Hands and Seals hereunto. Dated the *the fourth* Day of *March* in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty *Eight* and in the *fourteenth* Year of the Commonwealth.

Scaled and Delivered }  
in the Presence of }

*Math Lair*

*Judson Candor*  
*Thos Douglass*

*Henry Stolp*

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