

Alex Johnston

Indenture

Bound in 1842

This indenture made the 7th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two Between Abraham Byrd overseer of the poor of the first district of the County of Rockingham of the one part and John Huffman of said County of the other Witnesseth that the said Abraham Byrd overseer of the poor as aforesaid by virtue of an order of the Board of the aforesaid County bearing date the 15th of September 1842 have put place and bound and by these presents do put place and bind Alexander Johnston a free boy of colour aged ten years to be an apprentice with him the said John Huffman and as an apprentice with him the said John Huffman to dwell from the date of these presents untill the said Alexander Johnston shall attain 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 Alexander Johnston shall ~~be~~ the said John Huffman his master well and faithfully serve In all such Lawful business as the said Alexander Johnston shall be put unto by his master according to the power wit and ability of him the said Alexander Johnston and honestly and obediently in all things Shall behave him self towards his master and honestly & orderly towards the rest of the family of the said John Huffman and the said John Huffman for his Part for himself his Executors & administrators doth Hereby promise and Covenant to and with the said Overseers of the poor and every of them there and every of there Executors and administrators and there and Every of there successors for the time being and to and with the said Alexander Johnston that he the said John Huffman shall instruct the said Alexander Johnston in the Art of agriculture or farming business after the best manner in your power and that the said John Huffman also find and allow unto the said

Apprentice sufficient meat drink apparel
washing lodging and all other things needfull or
meet for an apprentice during the term aforesaid and
also that the said John Heppman shall pay to the
said ~~overseers of the poor or their successors~~ for Angelina Johnston
the Mother of the said boy Seventy two dollars and seventy three
cents in annual payments of seven dollars & seventy three
cents per year for ten years ~~from the date above~~ and
will Moreover pay the said Alexander Johnston
the sum of seven dollars and seventy three cents
at the Expiration of the aforesaid term In witness
whereof the parties have interchangeably set their
hands and seals to these presents the day and date
year first above written

John Heppman *Seal*
Abraham Byrd *Seal*