

This indenture made the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 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 David Sipe 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 the court of the aforesaid county bearing date 15<sup>th</sup> of September 1842 have out placed and bound and by these presents do put place and bind Tom Johnston a free boy of couler of the age of five years to be an apprentice with him the said David Sipe to dwell from the date of the presents until the said Tom 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 Tom Johnston shall the said David Sipe his master well and faithfully serve in all such lawful business as the said Tom Johnston shall be put unto by his said master according to the power wit and ability of him the said Tom Johnston and honestly and obediently in all things shal behave himself towards his master and honestly and orderly towards the rest of the family of the said David Sipe and the said David Sipe for his part for himself his executors and administrators doth hereby promise and covenant to and with the said overseer of the poor and every of them their and every of their executors and administrators and their and every of their successors for the time being and to and with the said Tom Johnston and that he the David Sipe shall instruct the said Tom Johnston in the art of farming and the agricultural business so far as the said David Sipe now uses after the best manner that he can or may teach or instruct and inform or cause to be taught instructed or informed as much as thereto belongeth and the said David Sipe shall also find and allow unto the said apprentice sufficient meat drink apperrel washing lodging and all other things needful or nect for an apprentice during the term aforesaid and also that the said David Sipe shall pay to the said overseer of the poor or his successor for the benefit of Angeline Johnston the mother of the said Tom Johnston forty six dollars eighty seven and a half cents to be paid in fifteen annual payments of three dollars and twelve and a half cents and will moreover pay the said Tom Johnston the sum of three dollars and twelve and a half 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 year first above written