

This indenture witnesseth that I Jacob Custer overseer of the poor of the county of Rockingham by virtue of an order of court from Rockingham dated the September court 1799 hath and by these presents doth put and bind Jehu Gum born the 14th day of May 1787 an apprentice to William Bryan of the said county of Rockingham to serve him in said county till he arrives to the age of twenty-one years. During all the said term of time the said apprentice his master faithfully shall serve his secrets keep his lawfull commands everywhere obey he shall do no damage to his said master neither suffer it to be done by others he shall neither buy nor sell commit fornication or contract matrimony or play at cards, dice, or any other unlawful game with his own or his said masters goods or haunt alehouses, taverns, or playhouses he shall not waste hi masters goods or lend them unlawfully to any neither absent himself day nor night from his said masters service without his leave but in all things behave himself as a faithfull servant and apprentice out to do

In consideration whereof the said master shall provide and procure sufficient meat, drink, washing, lodging, and apparel fitting for such an apprentice during the said term and time and to teach the said apprentice or cause to be taught to read the Bible well also to wright and cypher to the rule of three and to learn him the questions and answers of his faith-Likewise to learn him the powder making trade in all its branches and at the expiration of said term of time to pay or cause to be paid to the said apprentice the freedom dues customary and according to law for such required.

In witness whereof each of us hath hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this twelfth day of April 1800.

Signed, sealed, delivered