

This indenture made this first day of August in the year 1817 between R P Fletcher and John Carthrea overseers of the poor in the county of Rockingham of the one part and Michael Whitmore of the county of Augusta of the other part witnesseth that the said overseers of the poor in pursuance of an order of the county court of Rockingham made at June court 1817 doth out and bind Presley (a free boy of colour) who was formerly bound to Adam Rader ) who was twelve years old on the first day ff April last past as an apprentice to the said Michael Whitmore with him after the manner of an apprentice to dwell and serve until he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years to learn the trade of a miller In consideration of which the said Michael Whitmore binds himself to the said overseers of the poor and their successors in office to learn and instruct or cause to be taught and instructed the said Presley the art and mystery of a miller during and within the said apprenticeship and moreover to find the said Presley in good and sufficient clothes meat drink washing and lodging fit and convenient for such apprentice agreeable to the act of assembly reducing into one the several acts concerning guardians orphans and also at the end of said term shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Presley the sum of twenty dollars In witness where of the said overseers of the poor and the said Michael Whitmore have hereunto set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written

In the presence of