

This indenture made this ninth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen between Philip Branner one of the overseers of the poor for the north district in the county of Rockingham of the one part and Mathias Snider of the county aforesaid of the other part witnesseth. That the said overseer of the poor in pursuance to an order of the December court of 1815 for the county aforesaid doth put and bind Delila mason poor child nine as an apprentice to the said Mathias Snider with him after the manner of an apprentice to dwell and serve until she shall arrive to the full age of eighteen years to learn the mystery of housewifery. In consideration of which the said Snider binds himself to the said Branner or his successors or overseer of the poor to teach or instruct or cause to be taught or instructed the business of housewifery that is to say he is to teach her or cause her to be taught spinning, knitting, sewing, and likewise to learn her to read correctly and write a good fair hand during said term.

And moreover to furnish said Delila in good sufficient cloathing, meat, drink, washing and lodging fit and convenient for such an apprentice.

And also at the end of her service shall pay and satisfy to the said Delila Mason twenty dollars for freedom dues as the law directs.

In witness whereof the overseer of the poor aforesaid hath hereunto set his hand and seal and the said Snider hath set his hand and seal the date above written

Signed and sealed in the presence of