

THIS INDENTURE

MADE THE 26th day of March in the year of our Lord 1838 Between ~~John~~

Michael S. Harris
~~Officer~~

one of the Overseer of the Poor of the

District in the County of Rockingham of the one part and *Samuel Sterling* of the

other part witnesseth, that the said Overseers of the Poor by virtue of an Order of the Court of the County aforesaid bearing date the 19th day of March in the year 1838 has placed and bound and by these presents doth place and bind *Abraham Lowderberry* of the age of 10 years 3^{mo} of June 1838 to be an Apprentice with him the said *Samuel Sterling*

and as an Apprentice with him the said *Samuel Sterling* to dwell from the date of these presents, until the said *Abraham*

shall arrive, and come to the age of 21 years, according to the Act of the General Assembly in that case made and provided. For and during

all which time and term the said *Abraham Lowderberry* shall the said *Samuel Sterling* well and faithfully serve in all such lawful Business as the said *Abraham Lowderberry* shall be put unto by his said *Sterling* according to the Power, Wit and Ability of the said *Abraham*

and the said *Abraham* honestly and obediently in all things behave towards the said *Samuel Sterling*

and honestly and orderly towards the rest of the Family of him the said *Sterling* And the said *Samuel Sterling* for himself his Executors and Administrators doth hereby promise and covenant to and with the said Overseer of the Poor and his Successor in office for the time being that the said Apprentice shall in the Craft, Mystery and Occupation

of a house servant which he the said *Samuel Sterling* now useth, after the best manner that he can, or may teach, instruct, and inform, or cause to be taught, instructed and informed, as much as thereunto belongeth, or in any wise appertaineth, and that he the said *Samuel Sterling* shall also find

and allow unto the said Apprentice sufficient meat, drink, apparel, washing, lodging, and all other things needful or meet, for an Apprentice during the the term aforesaid: And also that the said

~~shall teach, or cause to be taught to the~~ ~~Reading, Writing and Common Arithmetic including the Rule of Three~~

and will moreover pay to the said *Abraham Lowderberry* the Sum of Twenty Dollars at the Expiration of the aforesaid Term.

IN WITNESS whereof the Parties to these Presents have interchangeably set their Hands and Seals the Day and Year above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered }
in the Presence of }

Samuel Sterling (Seal)

M. S. Harris (Seal)

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to Indenture
S Sterling to

Ben. Abner Lowerberry

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