

# THIS INDENTURE

MADE THE 12<sup>th</sup> day of *Jan'y* in the year of our Lord 1839 Between *Jacob Stray*

one of the Overseer of the Poor of the \_\_\_\_\_ District in the County of Rockingham of the one part and *Jacob Weast* 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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of *August* in the year 1838 has placed and bound and by these presents doth place and bind *George Colliers* <sup>a free boy of colour</sup> of the age of about *Eight* years to be an Apprentice with him the said *Jacob Weast* and as an Apprentice with him the said *Jacob Weast* to dwell from the date of these presents, until the said *George Colliers*

shall arrive, and come to the age of *Twenty one* 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 *George Colliers* shall the said *Jacob Weast* well and faithfully serve in ~~all such~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~lawful Business as the said~~ *of a farmer* shall be put unto by his said *Master* according to the Power, Wit and Ability of the said *George Colliers* and the said *George Colliers* honestly and obediently in all things behave towards the said *Jacob Weast*

and honestly and orderly towards the rest of the Family of him the said *Jacob Weast* And the said *Jacob Weast* 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 *afarmer* which he the said *Jacob Weast* 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 *Jacob Weast* shall also find and allow unto the said Apprentice sufficient meat, drink, apparell, 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 *George Colliers* 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 }  
*W. M. Palmer*  
*Bury S. Kemp*

*J. Stray* (S)  
his  
*Jacob Weast* (S)  
*Work*



