

Indenture Binding Sir. Isaac to Rowland Read May 1796.

State of North Carolina.

This Indenture made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1796  
the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety Six  
between William Lewis Esq; Chairman of the County Court  
of Wilkes and state above named in behalf of the Residents of the  
said County, and their successors of the one part and Rowland  
Read Esq; of said County of the other part witnesseth that  
the said William Lewis Esq; Chairman in pursuance to an act  
of the County Court according to an act of Assembly in that  
Case made and provided with full, clear and bind unto the  
said Rowland Read Esq; an orphan boy named Romeo Lewis  
aged Seven years to leave the company of a Family with  
the said Rowland Read to live after the Manner of an appren-  
tice and servant until the said apprentice shall attain to the  
age of Twenty one years during all which time the said master  
his Master shall forthwith give his said full commandancy  
whereof yearly, he shall not be any time absent himself  
from his said Master service without leave; but in all things  
as a good and faithful servant shall behave towards his  
Master; and the said Rowland Read with Command and  
agreement with the said William Lewis - that he  
will constantly find and provide for the said apprentice  
during the time above and sufficient victuals washing and  
drinking fitting for an Apprentice over all other things -  
provided both in Riches and in health. Now whereas  
there of the parties have interchangable at their hands  
said this day and year first above written

Test

D. Gordon Esq;

Published, read & sworn to

Wm. Lewis Esq;

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David Williamson to Governor Asa Bowditch May 1796

State North Carolina

Know all men by these presents that we David  
Williamson & Bent Park our late and formerly bound unto James  
the Governor of said State in the sum and full sum of two hundred  
pounds Specie to be paid to the said James at the said Governor  
and his Successors or assigns to such payment with one half to be  
made in and another in his Executors and Administrators, yearly and  
severally, yearly by these presents date with us date and after this  
Day of May A.D. 1796

The sum total of the above obligation is such that if the above named  
David Williamson Administrator of James Williamson Demand as  
make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory of all and  
singular the goods and chattels right and credits of the deceased who  
have or shall come into the hands knowledge or possession of any other  
person or persons and the same so made to exhibit a cause to be  
published into the Secretarys office and on exhibit before the  
County Court where cause of administration may be shown  
says after the date of these presents and the same goods chattels and  
credits of the deceased at the time of his death which at any time  
hereafter shall come into the hands or possession of the said David  
Williamson or into the hands of his executors or administrators  
persons or men as well and every manner of account to loss and  
gains so make or cause to be made a true and just account of  
his said administration within one year after the date of these  
presents and all the rest and residue of the said goods and chattels  
and credits which shall be found remaining upon the said adminis-  
tration account the same being first examined and allowed by  
the Governor or a Council General or County Court shall direct to  
pay to such person or persons respectively as the same shall be  
present to the true intent and meaning of the act in that case made  
and passed and if it shall appear that any will or Testament  
was made by the deceased and the Testator a Counterfeite in name  
as exhibit the same into court making request to have it allow and  
approved of accordingly if the said Williamson when bound to me  
thereunto required or render and deliver the letter of administration  
affidavit of such Testament being first read and made in a Court  
then this obligation to be paid over of your effect wherein remains included  
for me and wife

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of

D. Williamson Esq;

D. Williamson Esq;  
Bent Park Esq;