

COURTHOUSE ANNEX
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Hannah Merriman to Rufus Hoadley

This Indenture witnesseth that we Oliver Hotchkiss, Asa Wilmott and Stephen Ford of Burton in the County of Geauga and State of Ohio trustees of said township being authorized and required by the Statute law of said State by and with the assent of a Justice of the peace to bind {torn page} any orphan destitute child or the child of {torn page} poor person who shall not provide for the said child as a servant or apprentice to any such person who shall be willing to take such child. Therefore by these presents by and with the advice and consent of John Cook a justice of the peace for the said township put, place and binds out Hannah Merriman a female and infant child of the age of sixteen years on the seventh day of June last past as is supposed daughter of Ezra Merriman of said township a poor person who does not take care of nor provide for his said child unto Rufus Hoadley, of said township with him to live and him faithfully to serve until she shall arrive at the age of eighteen years which will be on the 7th day of June in the year of our Lord 1826 all which time shall she the said Hannah her said master faithfully shall serve and shall obey all his lawful commands and the said Rufus Hoadly does covenant with the said trustees for the time being and their successors in said office that he will provide for the said Hannah sufficient meal, drink, washing, lodging, clothing and physic during said term and that he will teach or cause said Hannah to be taught to read and write and so much as arithmetic as will include the single rule of three and at the end and expiration of said term of service that he will furnish the .. said Hannah with a new Bible and at least two suits of common wearing apparel and in addition thereto will pay to the said Hannah such an amount as including the value of said two suits of wearing apparel and new Bible shall constitute the sum of thirty five dollars for the faithful performance of whereof the parties have hereunto set their hands and seal this 4th day of April Anno Dorumminici 1825

Signed Sealed & Delivered

Oliver Hotchkiss
Asa Willmot
Stephen Ford
Rufus Hoadey

**TRUSTEES
BURTON
TOWNSHIP**

In presence of
Peter Hitchcock
Erastus Goodwin

State of Ohio
Geauga County

The within indenture made and entered into by my
assent & approbation to advise

Burton 4th April 1825 John Cook, Justice of the peace. Edward Paine Jun Recorder
Recorded 13 Jun 1825



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