

Moses Chapman
bound to
Rowland Hodge -

Whereas the same Moses Chapman was bound out by the Court an apprentice unto a certain Humphrey Chapman, and forasmuch as the same apprentice did appear to the Court to be dulle and not able to learn the trade of a plasterer to which he was formerly bound to, and likewise the said Humphrey Chapman master of the said apprentice present here in Court is willing that the said apprentice should be discharged from his service and bound out to some other service which is granted him by -

Thereupon the said Moses Chapman present here in Court in his proper person is by the same Court of his own consent bound ~~by the Court~~ unto a certain Rowland Hodge until he arrives at the age of Twenty one year the said Moses Chapman to serve his said master the full term of time aforesaid during which term the said apprentice his said master well and faithfully shall serve his servants keep his commandments lawfully and honestly every where willingly shall do and in all things as a good and faithful servant shall demean himself towards his said master and all his during the term aforesaid &c.

In consideration of which service the said Rowland Hodge present here in Court in his proper person covenanted with the Justices of the same Court, in Court judicially sitting on behalf of the said Moses Chapman that he the said Rowland Hodge during the term aforesaid will learn his said apprentice the trade of a weaver and at the expiration of his service give his said apprentice anew suit of clothes over and above his common wearing clothes, and likewise provide for his said apprentice meat drink washing Lodging and Bathing and all other necessaries sufficient for such an apprentice to have and wear during the term aforesaid &c.

Whereupon It is ordered by the Court here that the said Rowland Hodge give Recognizance with one Surety for to comply with the covenants aforesaid.

Thereupon the said Rowland Hodge with Charles Veasey of Somerset County planter his security both present here in Court in their proper persons acknowledged themselves to be indebted unto the said Moses Chapman in the sum of twenty pounds Sterling of their body's goods or Chattels Lands or tenements jointly and severally to be made and levied to the use of the said Moses Chapman his heirs or assigns. If it happen that the said Rowland Hodge do not during the term of service aforesaid learn his said apprentice the trade of a weaver and at the expiration of his service do not give his said apprentice anew suit of clothes over and above his common wearing clothes and do not likewise provide for his said apprentice meat drink washing Lodging and Bathing and all other necessaries sufficient for such an apprentice to have and wear during the term aforesaid &c.

At the prayer of the said Rowland Hodge the same Moses Chapman is discharged from paying of Taxes this present year &c.

Elizabeth Waters
Petitioner

To the worshipfull the Justices of Somerset Court now sitting the humble petition of Elizabeth Waters sheweth that your petitioner has two Negroes Sepio and Major this old age is incapable of service and hath paid taxes for them this last year past and both paid Taxes in Virginia before they came to Maryland Your petitioner therefore prays that