

## Apprenticeship Bond of Bennett Artis, 1807

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State of North Carolina } Know all men by  
Wayne County } these presents that  
We John Woodard  
All of the State and County aforesaid am held and  
firmly bound unto John C. Pender – esqr –  
Chairman of the Court and his Successors in the sum  
Of two hundred and fifty pounds Current money  
to be paid to the Said Chairman or his Successors. –  
For the which payment well and truly to be made  
and Done. We bind our Selves our heirs Executors and  
administrators Jointly and Severally firmly by these  
presents Sealed with our Seals and Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day  
of February A.Dom 1807.

The Condition of the above obligation is Such that  
the above bounden John Woodard – who is  
appointed Master to Bennit Artiss an orphan  
of Colour Shall not remove the said Bennett  
Artiss orphan aforesaid out of the County and  
to produce him before the Court at any time when  
the Said Court may require it and also to produce  
the Said orphan at the Expiration of the time of his  
Service then the above obligation to be Void other wise  
to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed Sealed and Delivered } John Woodard [seal]  
In Presence of } James Sparkman [seal]  
[illegible signature] CC } Elisha Applewhite [seal]

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