State of North Carolina

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that we **WILLIAM GRAHAM**, **FRED HAMBRIGHT**, **GEORGE WINTERS**, **GEORGE LAMKIN**, **JAMES PATTERSON**, **MILES ABERNATHY**, **ROBERT ABERNATHY**, and **DAVID ABERNATHY** all of the county of Lincoln and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto the worshipful the justices of Lincoln County aforesaid in the sum of £10,000 lawful money to be paid to the said justices and their successors.

To which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves, our heirs executors, and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated the 22nd day of April A. D. 1779.

WHEREAS THE ABOVE BOUND WILLIAM GRAHAM has been chosen by WILLIAM TWITTY, SUSANNAH TWITTY, ALLEN TWITTY, as their guardian, and has also been appointed Guardian to MARY TWITTY, RUSSELL [TWITTY], ARABELLA [TWITTY], BELLARIAH [TWITTY], and CHARLOTTE [TWITTY] orphans and minors of WILLIAM TWITTY deceased in and of the county aforesaid.

NOW THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the above bounden WILLIAM GRAHAM do well and truly bring up the said orphans during their minority and nonage with necessary meat, drink, washing, lodging, and apparel, and learning, according to their degree, and shall during the time of minority and nonage be Guardian and tutor to the said orphans, from loss of goods and chattels so far as in his power lieth all such portions or shall [be] due to the said orphans of the goods and chattels of WILLIAM TWITTY deceased or of the goods and chattels of any person or persons according to the inventory or by any other ways whatsoever; if the said William Graham do & shall well and truly pay and deliver unto the said orphans their respective portions according to the value of currency at the time of WILLIAM **TWITTY**'s decease or according to what ??? will be an equivalent in currency to the sum of £810 6 shillings in gold, silver, half Joe's, to rate at £3 4 Shillings and Spanish milled dollars at 8 shillings which the said WILLIAM GRAHAM is to pay or shall be paid to the orphans in equal portions when the said orphans shall be of age respectively or shall be married, and do and shall to the utmost of his power secure and preserve the estate and effects of the said orphans from loss or waste during the time of his being Guardian to the said orphans and do and shall from the time during the said time of his being Guardian as often as their two required render and deliver unto the justices aforesaid a true and just account of his tuition or guardianship aforesaid and do and shall have harmless save harmless, and keep indemnified the Governor or Commander-in-chief of the state of North Carolina, and the justices aforesaid than this obligation to avoid, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

W. GRAHAM FRED HAMBRIGHT GEORGE WINTERS GEORGE LAMKIN JAMES PATTERSON MILES ABERNATHY ROBERT ABERNATHY DAVID ABERNATHY

Signed and delivered in the presence of

## A. J. OSBORN

## Probate, NC, Lincoln, William Twitty 1779

## WILLIAM GRAHAM

Guardian Bond

22nd April 1779