

Indenture – John Willis, 25 Jun 1795

Name:	John Willis
Residence County:	Middlesex
Admission Date:	25 Jun 1795
Master's Name:	Richard Hill
Trade:	Wax Chandler
Parent:	Elizabeth Willis
Residence:	St James's Street, Westminster
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This Indenture witnesseth, That *John Willis*
Son of Elizabeth Willis of Saint James's Street Westminster in
the County of Middlesex Widow

doth put himself Apprentice to *Richard Hill* Citizen and
Wax Chandler of London, to learn his Art, and with him, after the Manner of an Apprentice, to
serve, from the Day of the Date hereof, until the full End and Term of *seven* Years, from
thence next following, to be fully complete and ended. During which Term the said Apprentice
his said Master faithfully shall serve, his Secrets keep, his lawful Commands every where gladly do ;
he shall do no Damage to his said Master, nor see it to be done of Others, but that he to the utmost
of his Power shall let, or forthwith give Warning to his said Master of the same: He shall not waste the
Goods of his said Master, nor lend them unlawfully to any: He shall not commit Fornication, nor
contract Matrimony within the said Term: He shall not play at Cards, Dice, Tables, or any other
unlawful Games, whereby the said Master may have any Loss: With his own Goods or Others, during
the said Term, without License of his said Master, he shall neither buy nor sell: He shall not haunt
Taverns or Playhouses, nor absent himself from his said Master's Service Day nor Night unlawfully;
but in all Things, as a faithful Apprentice, he shall behave himself towards his said Master, and all
his, during the said Term. And the said Master, in Consideration of *the Sum of Two Hundred*
Pounds of Lawfull Money of Great Britain in Hand paid by the
said Elizabeth Willis at the date hereof and Balance of these Presents
The Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged
being the Money given with his said Apprentice, in the same Art and Mystery which he useth, by
the best Means that he can, shall teach and instruct, or cause to be taught and instructed, finding
unto his said Apprentice, Meat, Drink, Apparel, Lodging, and all other Necessaries, according to the
Custom of the City of London, during the said Term.

And, for the true Performance of all and every the said Covenants and Agreements, either of the said
Parties bind themselves unto the other by these Presents: In Witness whereof, the Parties above-named to
these Indentures interchangeably have put their Hands and Seals, the *twenty fifth* Day of *June*
in the *thirty fifth* Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE III. of Great-
Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the Year of our Lord ~~17~~
One thousand seven hundred and ninety five
Sealed and Delivered
in the Presence of
Bar. Gregory *John Willis* 