Claim of Rias Lewis against Jonah Moore

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Article of an agreement maid, and Entered in to this 12th day of February 1850 between Jonah Moore of the one part & Riass Lewis of the other part witnesseth That the said Riass Lewis doth agree to work For said Jonah Moore ten months at the rate of ten dollars per month given under our Hand this 12th day of Feb[.] 1850.

Jonah Moore (seal mark) Riass Lewis (seal mark)

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Estate of Jonah Moore

To Rias Lewis a free man of Color. Dr[.]

To balance our said Rias for work and labor as per contract attached. \$40.00

State of Missouri

County of Chariton

Rias Lewis a free man of color being duly sworn says that he has given credit to the Estate of Jonah Moore for all payments and offsets to which it is entitled and that the balance claimed on the above account is justly due.

Rias Lewis (seal mark)

Subscribed & sworn to before me a justice of the Peace within and for Said County, this 26th day of Sept[.] 1854[.]

L[.]B[.] Parks J.P.

State of Missouri

County of Chariton

Clifton Tooly and Amelia R[.] Parks being duly sworn say that each of them heard Jonah Moore in his life time state that he was indebted to Rias a free man of color in the sum of forty dollars, for work and labor done by said Rias[.]

Clifton Tooley

Amelia R[.] Parks (seal mark)

subscribed & sworn to before me this 26th day of Sept. 1854 L.B. Parks J.P.

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I the undersigned acknowledge that I have been notified that the written claim will be presented for allowance at the November Term of the Chariton County Court.

September 28th, 1854 Lisbon Applegate Pub. Admin. In Chariton County August 10th 1855 this claim was this day allowed by the court in favor of Rias Lewis against estate Jonah Moore for fifty one dollars in the 7th class of debts.

[Attests?] L.M. Applegate[,] Clerk

Rec'd[.] payment in full Aug. 10th. 1855[.] Clifton Tooly by James H[.] Moore