

knowledge, information and belief; that when affiant secured the custody of said child from the Southern Home for Destitute Children, of the City of Philadelphia, affiant was informed that the child had been abandoned by her parents and so far as affiant is informed the parents are unknown; it is not known whether the parents of said child are living or dead, and if living their present whereabouts are unknown, and that no one is likely to know of the existence and residence of said parents excepting the said Southern Home for Destitute Children.

Annie L. Hoyt.

Sworn and subscribed before me this Tenth day of April, Nineteen hundred and seven.

Jas. L. O'Donnell
Notary Public.

Promises

Required by the "Southern Home for Destitute Children," of the City of Philadelphia, and to be signed by persons to whom it has committed the care of children.

May Franks.

Philadelphia, July 22, 1906.

1. I promise to send her to Sabbath school and to Church.
2. I promise to have her taught to read, write and cipher.
3. I promise, on the completion of her term of service with me, to show that I have complied with the requisitions.
4. I promise to carefully initiate her into the trade or occupation for which she placed in my care.
5. I promise to teach her to speak the truth, to be honest, pure, to fear God and to keep his commandments, remembering that in the judgment I will be accountable for the welfare of this child.
6. I engage to write at least once every six months to the Home that it may be informed of her health, deportment and general condition.
7. I promise not to transfer or surrender her to any one, or to remove her out of the state in which I now reside, without the written approval or consent of the Managers of the Home.
8. I promise to pay to the Southern Home for Destitute Children, for the use of said May Franks at the expiration of each year of service, Five Dollars, between the ages of ten and fifteen years and Ten Dollars between the ages of fifteen and eighteen years, and two full suits of clothes at the expiration of the time of service.
9. I promise to bring her to the Home when the time specified in the indenture or agreement with the Southern Home for Destitute Children shall have expired, and certify that the terms have been complied with.

I promise that the visitor of the children shall be permitted at any time to visit and to hold converse with her alone, if desired. I promise to notify the Southern Home for Destitute Children of any change I may make in my residence. If said May should abscond or be taken away, without my permission, to acquaint the Home with the facts without delay.

(Signed) Annie L. Hoyt (deaf).

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of
N. L. Holdridge

It is earnestly recommended by the Southern Home for Destitute Children to masters and mistresses to give every reasonable opportunity to the child to attend public worship and Sabbath schools.

Philadelphia, July 22, 1906.

In consideration of the Southern Home for Destitute Children, of the City of Philadelphia, acting under authority of the Court of Common Pleas, giving me the custody and control of May Franks, a girl, aged seven years, July 22, 1906, I Annie L. Hoyt, of Hammonton, County of Atlantic of the State of New Jersey, for myself and my executors and administrators, hereby covenant and agree as follows:

First: I will take the said May Franks on trial for the space of three months, and if at the end of that time I am not satisfied with her or at any time the Managers of said Society are not satisfied with my care of her I will return her to the said Society, safely and without delay.

Second: If the said May Franks shall prove satisfactory, after remaining three months, I then further agree to provide her with a good home in my family for the space of eleven years, and to furnish her with all the necessaries of life so that she shall not lack proper or sufficient food or clothing, and in case of sickness, proper medical treatment.

I further agree to keep her supplied with at least two comfortable suits of outer clothing, so that so long as she lives with me she shall always have one good suit for week-days and one other good suit for Sunday, and all necessary underclothing, and overcoat or wrap for winter, to see that she attends school at least three consecutive months in the year, and bear the necessary expenses therefor; to allow her to attend Sunday school or Church, to report once in six months her condition as to character, health, improvement, and attendance at Sunday school or Church, and in case of my failure to perform any of my agreements herein mentioned, or if at any time she is required to be returned to the Home for any purpose she shall be brought back at my expense to the Home, or delivered to its duly authorized agent at the written request of any of its officers or managers.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

the presence of } Annie L. Hoyt (deaf).
N. L. Holdridge
Orville E. Hoyt.

Atlantic County Orphans' Court.

In the matter of the petition of Annie L. Hoyt for permission to adopt Mary Franks, a minor. An Petition. Order.

Upon reading the petition of Annie L. Hoyt, a single woman duly verified, wherein it is among other things prayed that permission be granted to her to adopt Mary Franks, pursuant to the provisions of "An Act concerning minors, their adoption, custody and maintenance" approved April 2, 1902, and the several supplements and amendments thereto; It is, on this nineteenth day of April, Nineteen hundred and seven, ordered, that the said petition and the affidavits and contents thereto annexed, be filed with the clerk of this Court, and it appearing that it is necessary, under the provisions