

in office, nor without the approval of the U. S. Court wherein land is situated.

This lease is executed in triplicate, and one of the originals thereof shall be held by the lessor as guardian, one by the lessee, and one shall be filed with the papers in the case with the Clerk of the Court in probate herein.

In the event that there is a failure on behalf of the lessee to comply with any of the terms and provisions of this lease in the time and manner specified therein, then all improvements erected upon the premises by said lessee shall be forfeited to the lessor, and become the property of the estate of said ward of whom the lessor is guardian, and said lease shall in that event ^{shall} be forfeited and the lessor shall have the right to immediate possession of said premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands, on the date first above written.

Isiah Steele
Guardian of Sallie Steele, minor, Lessor.

William Best
Lessee.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
WESTERN DISTRICT: I. T.) SS.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this day personally appeared before me a Notary Public within and for the Western District in the Indian Territory aforesaid, duly commissioned and acting as such, Isiah Steele, William Best, to me personally well known, and known to be the parties who signed the foregoing lease as lessor and lessee, respectfully, and each acknowledged, for himself, that he had executed said lease for the purposes and consideration therein mentioned and set forth, as his free and voluntary act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal, this 15th, day of December, 1906.

Henry L. Reed, Notary Public

(SEAL) My commission expires February 15, 1910.

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT INDIAN TERRITORY

at Tulsa, number.....Probate.

In the matter of the application of ^{Isiah} Steele, Guardian of Sallie Steele, minor.

PETITION FOR AN ORDER APPROVING LEASE.

Your petitioner ^{Isiah} Steele, guardian of Sallie Steele, minor, child of Isiah Steele and Nancy Steele, his wife, respectfully represents that he is the regularly and legally appointed guardian of ~~of~~ said minor, and that acting as such, he did on the 15th, day of December, 1906 lease to William Best of Alsuma, I. T. the following described premises of said ward as follows:

The N $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 23, Tp. 19 North, Range 11 East; also the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ in Sec. 22, Tp. 19 North, Range 11 East of Indian Base and Meridian in the Creek Nation Indian Territory; said lease being for the term of five years from the.....day of December, 1906 and is executed in triplicate, and is herewith exhibited to the Court for approval.

The said premises are unimproved, uncultivated, and of a poor quality of soil, surface being broken and stony, and not more than thirty acres capable of cultivation; said premises are situated closest ~~to~~ the town of Keystone, I. T., which is the closest market to said land.

Your petitioner further represents that it is for the best interest of his said ward that said lease should be approved, and that the rents and profits arising from said lease will be of greater benefit to her than the use of the said land for any other purposes, and that the rents prescribed in said lease are fair and equitable rental of the same, and the highest rents that said land will bring, and that the lessee is a proper person to occupy, cultivate and develop said land as an agricultural farm, and that the approval of said lease will be for the