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Sept. 2nd, 1915.

Mr. Preston B. Davis,  
Vinita, Okla.

My dear Sir:

Your ward, William Conners, was a deserter from this school long enough last week to walk the nineteen miles to Harrisburg to attend the performances of the 101 Ranch Show which exhibited there. He walked to Carlisle after the Show had left Harrisburg.

As William has just been released from farther punishment he now desires that I write to you for permission to have him return home. I shall not object to his leaving here and would thank you to let me hear from you regarding the request.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

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Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

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**BRIEF.**

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**Application of**

Preston S. Davis

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FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

Willie Connor

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IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

**Carlisle, Pennsylvania**

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NAME OF AGENCY FROM WHICH PUPIL CAME:

Quapaw Agency

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Date of enrollment ..... 191.....

Term of enrollment ..... Five ..... ( 5 ) years

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Printed by Carlisle Indians.

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# Application for Enrollment in a Non-reservation School.

(For a child enrolled at an Agency)

For and in consideration of the Government of the United States assuming the care, education, and maintenance in the United States Indian School at.....

Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

of Willie Connor ; Male ; date of birth August 18, 1900  
(Name of Child) (Sex)

Seneca Tribe  
(Tribe)

NAME OF FATHER <small>(Both Indian and English)</small>	Living or Dead	TRIBE	BAND	DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD
<u>Ebenezer Connor</u>	<u>Dead</u>	<u>Seneca</u>		<u>Full</u>
<u>Minnie Connor</u>	<u>Living</u>	<u>Quapaw</u>		"

I, Preston Davis, do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to his

enrollment in said school for a period of Five years, and also obligate myself to abide by all the rules and regulations for Indian Schools.  
(Not less than 3)

The said child has been enrolled in the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL	DATE OF ENROLLMENT	DATE OF DISCHARGE	CAUSE	GRADE
1. <u>Seneca School</u>	<u>1906</u>	<u>1913</u>		<u>5th grade</u>
2.				
3.				
4.				

*Preston Davis*  
X Parent, Guardian, or next of kin

P. O. address: Vinita, Oklahoma.

Two Witnesses: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.**

I hereby certify that I have this day carefully examined the above-named child herein proposed for transfer and find him to be in proper physical condition to attend school, and not afflicted with tuberculosis or any disease which would be a menace to the health of other pupils.

This 24<sup>th</sup> day of Oct, 1914.

B. DeWitt  
Physician at Somec School Agency.

**CERTIFICATE OF AGENT OR SUPERINTENDENT.**

I hereby certify that the statements made in the foregoing application and certificate, to the best of my knowledge and belief, are true, that the consent of Preston Davis  
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.) was voluntary, and I recommend the transfer of said child.

This 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1914.

Preston Davis  
Agent or Superintendent.

**SPECIAL NOTE.**

This form must be executed in duplicate when a child is transferred from a reservation to a non-reservation school. The Superintendent of the nonreservation school will retain the original for his files, and the duplicate shall be deposited in the Agency records. The agent will then send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate as provided by law. All the blanks must be properly filled in every case.

*NOTE.—Age limits, fourteen to twenty years. Preferably fourteen to eighteen. Students must be at least one-fourth Indian, preferably full Indian. Special cases beyond the age limit will be given consideration. An industrial course only can be taken and the term reduced to three years, in exceptional cases.*

# Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

## **INDORSEMENTS.**

The laws relating to the transfer of Indian children from reservations and schools are as follows:

That hereafter no Indian child shall be sent from any Indian reservation to a school beyond the State or Territory in which said reservation is situated without the voluntary consent of the father or mother of such child if either of them is living, and if neither of them is living without the voluntary consent of the next of kin of such child. Such consent shall be made before the agent of the reservation, and he shall send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate that such consent has been voluntarily given before such child shall be removed from such reservation. And it shall be unlawful for any Indian agent or other employee of the Government to induce, or seek to induce, by withholding rations or by other improper means, the parents or next of kin of any Indian to consent to the removal of any Indian child beyond the limits of any reservation. (28 Stats., p. 906.)

Provided, that hereafter no Indian child shall be taken from any school in any State or Territory to a school in any other State against its will or without the written consent of its parents. (29 Stats., p. 348.)

The rules provide that--

A pupil who has been regularly enrolled in a nonreservation school must not be taken to any other nonreservation school without the consent of both Superintendents and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Superintendents will be held to strict accountability for such pupils taken to their schools.

An Indian boy or girl 18 years old and over may, without the consent of parents or others, personally sign the application form on its being changed to suit the case.

This form is to be used only in transfers from reservations, or Indian schools, to nonreservation schools.

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Aug. 3rd, 1915.

Mr. Preston Davis,  
Vinita, Oklahoma.

My dear Sir:

William Connor has again come to this office to make inquiry regarding the request for money that was addressed to you on June the 1st, last. He had to be advised that there is no communication on file from you which indicates whether he may expect to receive the money he desires to use.

In view of the fact that William is very much exercised about the matter I would thank you to let me hear from you.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

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Approved  
May I have  
at hhh of/201

Jan. 9th, 1915.

Hon. Preston Davis,  
Vinita, Oklahoma.

My dear Sir:

William Conners, who is enrolled at this school from Turkey Ford, Oklahoma, desires to purchase a suit of clothes and a trunk and has requested me to write to you for the necessary funds.

I recommend that the boy's request be given favorable consideration and that an amount of \$25.00 be sent to me for use as is desired by William. I will see to it that the expenditure of the amount is properly supervised.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.



# HEADQUARTERS PERMIT

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Carlisle Indian School, 1-9, 1915

SIR:

I have permission to visit Mr. Supina

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(Signed) William Connor

FOR

Write Judge Preston  
Davis, Vinita, Okla.  
for \$25 for trunk  
& suit of clothes  
for William Conner.

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July 19th, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Spicer,

Box 13, Tiff City, Missouri.

My dear Sir:

In answer to the letter you addressed to the Superintendent of this school on the 13th instant in behalf of Mrs. Eliza Schrimpscher, this is to state that I shall not object to William Conner's going home to assist the aged lady if the request for such action has the approval of Superintendent Deaver of the Seneca Agency. It is to be understood, of course, that a sufficient amount of money will have to be placed on deposit at this school with which transportation for the boy's going home and his return to school can be provided.

I am having attached hereto a blank upon which a formal request for William's return home can be submitted to Superintendent Deaver for approval.

Very respectfully,

Encl.

EKM.

Acting Superintendent.

(Copy to Supt. Deaver.)

Turkeyford, Okla.  
July, 13, '15.

Hon. Supt - Carlisle Indian Sch.  
Carlisle, Pa.



Sir:-

This Etiza Schriumpshen, an old widow, Indian, respectfully requests you to let her grand son, Willie Courna, come home on a visit during vacation time.

She is in a serious condition. She fell down, in running stock away from her place and hurt her knee, both of her limbs are swollen, she can't hardly get along to do her own chores + her house work. She is an old lady and lives by her self.

She raised her grand son, when he was only about five years old and his father gave him to her, when her daughter-in-law, (Willie's mother) killed her husband, she has had, Willie in charge ever since.

She also states, that, if it is

agreeable with you, she can pay  
his railroad expense both ways.

Or you can call on <sup>Judge</sup> Preston  
S. Davis of Vinita, Okla, his  
guardian, where by you can  
get money to pay his transportation  
both ways.

Respectfully,

Written for Eliza Schrimpsker,

Turkeyford, Okla,

By A. Z. Spicer,

Secy Seneca Council,

Tiff City, Mo,

B413,

P.S.

I would ask  
you to let me know  
the cause of my son, ora,  
coming home, recently,

and I want my son Reo to come home  
on a visit. please let me know,

Yours Truly

A. Z. Spicer



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June 1st, 1915.

Mr. Preston Davis,  
Vinita, Oklahoma.

My dear Sir:

Your ward, William Connor, is anxious to have sent here for his use an amount of \$25.00 to purchase clothing. If he has funds to his credit with you not more urgently required for any other purpose I respectfully recommend that his request be granted. Whatever amount is sent should come direct to me and then the expenditures can be properly supervised.

I would thank you to let me hear from you without delay.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

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Sept. 14th, 1915.

Hon. Preston S. Davis,  
Vinita, Okla.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for the information you conveyed to me in your favor of the 11th instant relative to your guardianship of William Connor. The boy will be advised accordingly.

Trusting that the requests I submitted for consideration at William's suggestion have not inconvenienced you, I am,

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Superintendent.

TERMS OF COURT.

VINITA- 3RD MONDAY, MAY.  
1ST MONDAY, NOV.  
MIAMI- 3RD MONDAY, APRIL.  
2ND MONDAY, OCT.  
PRYOR- 3RD MONDAY, MARCH.  
3RD MONDAY, SEPT.

**Preston S. Davis**  
Judge of the Twenty Third Court Judicial District  
of the State of Oklahoma  
Home Address, Vinita, Okla.

OFFICIAL STENOGRAPHER  
W. F. THURMAN  
VINITA, OKLAHOMA

September the 11th. 1915.

O.H.Lipps,  
Superintendent U.S. Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pa.



Dear Sir :--

Your letters found awaiting me upon my return from my little summer rest trip concerning William Connor.

I was duly appointed Guardian for William Connor and his brothers and sisters by the U.S. Court within and for the Northern District of the Indian Territory at Vinita for the sole and only purpose of collecting and handling their Seneca Annuity money which was, as I now recall something a little over three hundred dollars per capita. I have never had in charge nor under my control as Guardian or otherwise the allotments of these children, but they have had and now have so far as I know the full use and benefit of same. I have paid out considerable of these funds from time to time as the court ordered to the father of these children before his death and since to the mother. I do not know what the exact status of the estate is in my hands in regard to William Connor, but my final report which has been duly filed and verified as the law directs will show the same as it now appears of record in the office of the County Court of Craig County, Oklahoma, at Vinita. I have filed my final report asking for final settlement and discharge. I have always understood and am now of the understanding that the United States pays for all the clothing and etc. for these Indian Wards at the United States Indian School at Carlisle, Pa.



TERMS OF COURT.

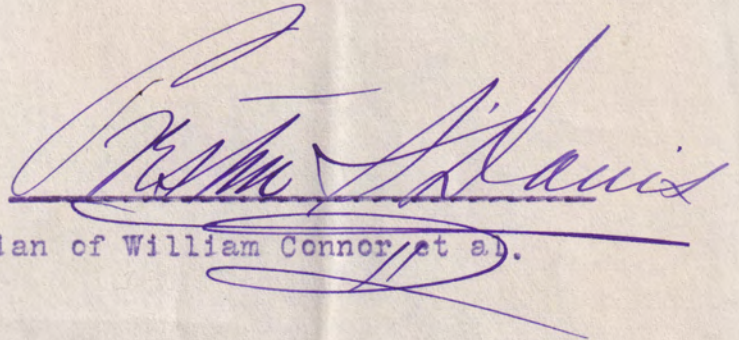
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There is very little, if anything, due these wards, as I  
I now recall it from memory, but my final report mentioned herein  
will show.

Very respectfully,



Guardian of William Connor et al.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Seneca School & Quapaw Agency,  
Wyandotte, Oklahoma.

September 27, 1916.

Supt. O. H. Lipps,  
Carlisle Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Lipps:-

Enclosed herewith is notice in triplicate. I respectfully request that you deliver one copy to William Connor and secure his signature to the other two accepting service of same and return these copies to this office. Please have the date of acceptance written on the two signed copies.

Will you please inform this boy that if he has any objections to the supervision of the leasing of his restricted lands by the Department that she should state his reasons before you or submit them in writing through you before October 10, 1916.

Any assist nce given in this matter will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

*Era C. Deaver.*  
Superintendent.

October 9, 1916.

Mr. Ira G. Deaver,  
Supt. Seneca School & Quapaw Agency,  
Wyandotte, Okla.

My dear Mr. Deaver:-

Enclosed you will find the duplicate notices signed by  
Anna Skahkah, Rose Skahkah, and William Conner as you requested.  
The third copy had been delivered to the above parties respectively.

Very truly yours,

LMJ.

Superintendent.

Information regarding pupils to test eligibility and whether in need of Federal aid.

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Date of report April 29/1915.

Name of child William Bonner Age 4 years old Grade Fourth grade.

Home post office Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Tribe Seneca and half Quapaw Degree of Indian blood full blood Indian.

How many acres of land do you own 120. Location Oklahoma.

What is the annual income from your land I dont know.

Do you have any other income yes. How much I dont know.

Is your father living no.

Father's name Abenezek Bonner.

Home post office

Tribe Seneca Degree of Indian blood full blood

Is he a citizen

How much land does he own Allotment No.

What is its estimated value

What is the annual income from his land

Does he have any other income

If so, how much

Does your father pay taxes on land or personal property

Is your mother living yes.

Mother's name Mrs. Minnie Bonner.

Home post office Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Tribe Quapaw Degree of Indian blood full blood.

Is she a citizen yes

How much land does your mother own I dont know. Allotment No I dont know

What is its estimated value I dont know.

What is the annual income from her land ..... *I dont know,*  
Does she have any other income ..... *I dont know,*  
If so, how much ..... *I dont know,*  
Does your mother pay taxes on her land or on personal property ..... *yes,*  
With whom do you make your home ..... *I make my home with my mother.*  
How many rooms in the house ..... *Five rooms in the house,*  
How many live in the house ..... *three of us live in the house,*  
How far is your home from nearest public school ..... *nearest public school is 3 miles.*  
Why do you not attend that school ..... *It was to far to walk,*

How many teachers employed there ..... *2,*

How many grades maintained ..... *6,*

How many months of school each year ..... *9.*

Did you ever attend a public school ..... *no,*

If so, how long ..... Where

How many brothers of school age have you ..... *one brother 16 years old.*

How many sisters of school age have you ..... *none*

Are they in school ..... *no*

Where

Remarks and recommendations of superintendent with reference to eligibility and need of Federal aid:

Superintendent.

NOTE.—One of these blanks should be filled out by each pupil at Government boarding schools, preferably with the assistance of the superintendent or some one designated to act as his representative. If the superintendent is of opinion from the information given that the pupil is entitled to enrollment he should so indicate by signing the blank in the proper place and filing in the individual pupil's folder. In the case of pupils concerning whose eligibility or need of Government aid there is some doubt, superintendents should make proper remarks and recommendations in the space indicated and forward the form to the Indian Office for consideration.

Mrs. Jenny -

Please write  
~~Wm's~~ Guardian that  
he wants money to  
buy a Corneh.

\$60<sup>00</sup> -

Preston Jarvis W.L.  
Vinita, Okla.

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November 28, 1916.

Mr. Preston Davis,  
Vinita, Okla.

Dear Sir:

Your ward, William Connor, comes to me with a request that I write you for \$60.00 of his money in your hands so that he can buy a cornet. If his request meets with your approval you can send a check made payable to me and I will see that he gets the instrument which he needs.

Very truly yours,

D/B

Superintendent.

