

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE  
William Beck Mary Ford and Thomas Ford.

are firmly held and bound unto Joseph Haslet —  
Governor and Commander in Chief of the State of Delaware, in  
the sum of five hundred pounds, good and lawful money of  
America, to be paid to the said Joseph Haslet —  
Esq. or his successors; to the which payment well and truly to  
be made, we bind ourselves, jointly and severally, for and in the  
whole, our heirs, executors and administrators firmly by these  
presents.... Sealed with our seals.... Dated the Sixth — day of  
November — in the year of Lord, one thousand eight  
hundred and eleven

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That  
if there shall not hereafter appear any lawful let or impediment,  
by reason of any pre-contract, consanguinity, affinity, or any other  
just cause whatsoever, but that the above mentioned William  
Beck and Mary Ford.

may lawfully marry; and that there is not any suit depending  
before any judge ecclesiastical or civil, for or concerning any such  
pre-contract; and also if the said parties, and each of them, are of  
the ages following: to wit, female of eighteen, and male of twenty-  
one years; and are not under the tuition of his or her parents, or  
have the full consent of his or her parents or guardians respectively,  
to the said marriage, and if they or either of them are not indented  
servants; and do and shall save harmless and keep indemnified  
the above named Joseph Haslet — Esq. and  
his successors, for and concerning the premises; and shall likewise  
save harmless and keep indemnified the clergyman or minister who  
shall join the said parties in matrimony, for or by reason of his  
so doing.... then this obligation to be void, or else to stand and  
remain in full force and virtue

Sealed and delivered }  
in the presence of }

Nathl. Smithy Jr. Pro

William Beck 

Thomas Ford 

Marriage bond of William Beck 36.0, 1789-1858, and Mary Ford. Delaware 1811 Bond is to assure society and the state that there is no obstacle to this marriage such as an existing marriage, lack of parental consent, etc.