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GEORGE PINNELL, CERTIFICATE OF SALE, 1824

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USER INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The slave trade in Kentucky began with the early settlers. Until the 1840s, most slaves in the state were sold locally or regionally. At 12:00 o'clock, 20 December 1824, "with a sufficiency of bidders present," George Pinnell serving as

auctioneer, for the estate of John Piner, sold Ned, "a Negro boy," to Benjamin Allen. All of the principles of the transaction (with the exception of Ned), including the decedent, auctioneer, purchaser, and witnesses are clearly identified in the 1820 Jefferson County and/or the 1830 Oldham County, Kentucky censuses. Formed from Jefferson, Shelby, and Henry counties, Oldham County was established in 1823.

Sources: Materials in the collection.

Marion B. Lucas, *A History of Blacks in Kentucky*. Vol. 1. [Frankfort]: Kentucky Historical Society, 1992. (E 185.93 .K3 L83 1992)

Population Schedules of the Fourth Census of the United States, 1820. Population Schedules of the Fifth Census of the United States, 1830. The Kentucky Encyclopedia (edited by John E. Kleber, et al.). Lexington: University of Kentucky Press, 1992 (rr F 451 .K413 1992)

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection contains one item. It is a certification of a sale of a Negro boy dated 20 December 1824. The boy, Ned, was sold by a self described crier, George Pinnell, from the estate of John Piner to Benjamin Allen for \$204. Allen was the highest bidder. The sale, witnessed by James Wilson and Elijah Yager, was held at Floydsburg located in Oldham County, Kentucky.

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Pinnell, George, auctioneer

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Slave-trade--Kentucky--Oldham County

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