

Copy. given - Abraham Pelts - and  
other

This Indenture made the nineteenth day of May in  
the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty  
nine Between Pierre Van Cortlandt of the County of West Chester  
Esquire of the first part And Abraham Pelts, Richard D'Can-  
tillon, Daniel Lafferty Nicholas E. Gaberell, Jacob Marquat  
and John Grist and their heirs all of the County of Dutchess in  
the State of New York of the second part Witnesseth That the  
Said party of the first for and in Consideration of the Rents  
and Covenants herein after mentioned doth Grant bargain  
and Lease unto the Parties of the second Part all the Right  
Title Interest property Claim and Demand of him the said  
party of the first part Of in or to any Silver mines or Silver  
mines heretofore discovered by the Parties of the second part -  
Or any one of them, situate Lying and being on the Nose  
Lot in the Manor of Cortlandt for the term of Seven years  
from the date of these presents to Open and Work the Same  
at the proper Cost Charge and Expence of them the said parties  
of the second part Yielding and Delivering to the said party  
of the first part his heirs or assigns, at the Expiration of every  
two months or oftener if thereunto Required by the said party  
of the first part his heirs or assigns One Equal Sixth part  
without any Deduction of the produce thereof Either in Ore or  
Metal Refined as the party of the first part may from time  
to time prefer, The Whole to be Brought and Refined near  
the mill at Pecks Hill belonging to the said party of the  
first part and at no other place whatsoever, And the said  
party of the first part doth further Covenant and agree That  
Trench wood and timber as may be necessary to Carry the Same  
into Execution may be procured by the said party of the  
second part on the Unappropriated Land West of the paper  
mill Creek on the said Nose Lot; And it is further Covenanted  
and agreed by and between the said parties That the said  
Parties of the second part or any one of them Shall not  
Assign or transfer his Right or any part thereof in the said  
premises

Premises hereinbefore Expressed without the Approbation  
of the said party of the first part first had and Obtained in Writing  
Nor shall the said parties of the Second part Neglect working the  
Same for two months together, And it is further Covenanted And  
agreed that the said parties of the Second part may after the  
Expiration of the term aforesaid remove any buildings that  
the said parties of the Second part may have Erected at the place  
aforesaid for the smelting Or Refining the Ore aforesaid,  
And it is further Covenanted and agreed by and between the said  
parties that if at any time the said parties of the Second part  
Or any one of them shall not Comply with the Covenants herein  
Expressed And Every matter Article and thing therein That  
then and in such case this Lease shall be Void and of no Effect  
and that the said party of the first part may Re-enter and take  
possession of all and singular the premises herein before  
Expressed without any Let Hindrance or Interruption from  
the said parties of the Second part or any one of them. In  
Witness Whereof the Parties to these presents have hereunto set  
their hands and seals And have also Interchangeably set their  
hands and seals to a Counter part of these presents for a faithful  
performance thereof the day and year being first Above  
written

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It is also further Covenanted and agreed by all the parties aforesaid before the signing and sealing hereof That John Grist Above named shall be Intitled to an Equal share for his services with the parties of the Second part without any Cost and Charge in smelting and Refining the Ore Either in a Forge Or Furnace by the said John Grist faithfully performing his part of the business aforesaid without any fraud Or Covin what soever during this Lease.

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