
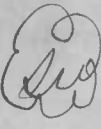


Maryland, Feb. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of color named William Waters for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a free woman, he is five feet two and one half inches in height, his complexion is nearly black, his hair is woolly, he has a scar on the back of the left hand, he is now about 27 years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

In witness whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the said Court this 15th day of September 1849
 William J. G. Bell Clerk

Maryland, p. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Lucinda Hayward for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by Ebben Hayward & Leah Howard on the 21st of May 1849 and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County that she is free. She is five feet six inches in height the ring finger of the right hand is deformed from a cut, she has a scar under the right eye about half an inch in length, her complexion is chestnut, she was born and raised in Somerset County and is about 19 years of age.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 18th day of October 1849
 Wm J G Bell Clerk

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of color named Samuel Peters for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman, he is five feet six $\frac{3}{4}$ inches in height, he has a scar on the head just above the left ear, he has several small scars on the back of the left hand occasioned by a burn his complexion is yellow, his hair is woolly he is now about 22 years of age & was born and raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 23^d day of October 1849.

Geo

Wm. L. Bolk Clerk

Maryland, ss: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of color named Isaac H. Trader for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a free woman. He is five feet seven inches in height, his complexion is nearly black, his hair is woolly, he has a scar on his left arm half way between the elbow & wrist, he has a lump on the back of his hand just above the knuckles, he is about 21 years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County.

In witness whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this 31st October 1849

Wm. L. Bolk Clerk

Maryland Somerset County, to-wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of color named William Roxburgh for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it ~~is proven~~ appears from a deed of manumission executed by Col. Roxburgh on the fifth day of December 1846 & duly recorded among the records of Somerset County that he is free. He is five feet five ~~one~~ half inches in height, his complexion is chestnut, his hair is woolly, he has a scar on the right

leg half way between the ankle & knee he is now about
thirty two years of age & was born & raised in Somerset
County. In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my
name & affix the seal of the said Court
this 20th day of November Anno Domini 1849.
Wm L. Polk Clerk

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been
made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within
the State of Maryland by a man of color named Samuel
Johnson for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore
herby certify that it is ~~proves~~ appears from a deed of manumission executed
by Isaac Johnson on the fourteenth day of August eighteen hundred and
nineteen ~~and~~ recorded among the records of Somerset County, that
he is free. He is five feet eight and an half inches in height, he has two
small scars on the left arm below the elbow, another on the top of the
left foot about the size of a quarter dollar, his hair is woolly, his com-
plexion is nearly black, he is about thirty three years of age and
was born and raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and af-
fix the seal of the said Court this 9th day of January
Anno Domini 1850

Wm L. Polk Clerk

Maryland, so. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber
Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man
of color named Lewis Selby for a certificate of his freedom according to
law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction
that he is free he having been born of a free woman. He is five feet
nine inches in height, his complexion is light chestnut or yellow, he
has a scar on the fourth finger of the left hand, & another in the mid-
dle of the forehead, he is about twenty eight years of age and was
born and raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this
fifteenth day of January Anno Domini eighteen
hundred and fifty
Wm L. Polk Clerk
Somerset County Court

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me the sub-
scribed Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland
by a man of color named James who calls himself James Spencer
Jones for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore
hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed
on the 23rd August 1849 & duly recorded among the records of Somerset
County, that he is free. He is 5 feet 9 inches in height - his comple-
xion is very black - he has 6 scars on his right knee & leg - he is a
bout 24 years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 9th day of
April Anno Domini 1850

Wm L Btk Clk S.C.

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me the sub-
scribed Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland
by a woman of color named Henrietta, who calls herself Henrietta
Dome Peterson Haynie for a certificate of her freedom according to
law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction
that she is free she having been born of a free woman. She is five
feet five inches in height - her complexion is chesnut - she has a
mole on her left ear - a scar on her left cheek about one and a half
inches in length, she is about sixteen years of age & was born & raised
in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the
seal of Somerset County Court this 9th day of April Anno
Domini eighteen hundred of fifty.

Wm L Btk Clk S.C.

Maryland Somerset County, to wit; Whereas application has been
made to me the subscribed Clerk of Somerset County Court within the
State of Maryland by a woman of color named Biddy Wallace
for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore here-
by certify that it appears from a deed of manumission execu-
ted by Arnold Wallace, executed on the 23rd day of January 1830
& duly recorded among the records of Somerset County, that she
is free, she is four feet, nine and one half inches in height, her com-
plexion is nearly black, her shoulders very round - amounting to

a deformity, her neck is short, nose flat & lips thick, she has no visible scars or marks - she is very broad across the eyes, she is about twenty nine years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County.

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C

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court this first day of May Anno Domini eighteen hundred & fifty

William T. G. Bell
of Somerset County Court

Maryland, ss: Whereas application has been made to me by Nancy Eleanor Hopkins now Quinton, a woman of color for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free she having been born of a free woman, she is five feet four and one half inches in height, her complexion is bright yellow or nuttallor, she has a full round face and intelligent countenance, she has a scar on her breast about the size of a quarter dollar, she was born & raised in Somerset County and is now about twenty one years of age

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C

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this twenty third day of May Anno Domini eighteen hundred & fifty.

W. T. G. Bell
of Somerset County Court
Maryland.

Maryland, ss: Whereas application has been made to me by Harriette Jones, a woman of color for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free, she having been born of a free woman. She is five feet four inches and three quarters in height. She has a scar on the first finger of the left hand about half an inch in length. Her complexion is dark chesnut. She has a round face, and an intelligent countenance. She was born and raised in Somerset County, and is now about nineteen years of age.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of Somerset County Court this 18th day of June Anno
Domini 1850

Wm J. G. Polk, Clerk
of Somerset County Court, Maryland.

Maryland, &c. Whereas application has been made to
me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within
the State of Maryland by a man of color named Levin
Hall for a certificate of his freedom according to law
he having proven to my satisfaction that his former
certificate granted by Levin Handy Esquire has been
lost - I therefore hereby certify that it appears by a
deed of manumission executed by Francis Hall on the
14th day of January 1820 & duly recorded that he is
entitled to his freedom - He is five feet six inches in
height - his complexion is dark chestnut - He has a
scar on his right leg several about the right knee -
also a mark on the front of the left thigh, also a scar
on his forehead near the hair - he is now about
twenty seven years of age and is a native of the
county aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto

subscribe my name and affix the seal
of Somerset County Court this 29th day of July
Anno Domini 1850
William J. G. Polk
Clerk

Maryland, Somerset County, town; Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset
County Court within the State of Maryland by a man
of color named Simon Lucifer Cottman for a cer-
tificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore
hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumif-
sion executed by Joseph S. Cottman on the 23rd day of
April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and
fifty and duly recorded among the records of Som-
erset County that he is entitled to his freedom - He is
five feet six inches in height, his complexion is black
his hair is woolly, he has a scar on the instep of the

left foot, and another on the joint of the fourth finger of the left hand. He is about forty years of age and is a native of Somerset County.

Qu In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 8th day of August 1850
M. G. Polk Clerk
of Somerset County Court

Maryland, sp: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Nancy Lawson for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free she having been born of a free woman, she is five feet one inch in height, her complexion is black, she has a scar over each eye and another on the left side of the neck, she is about 27 years of age and was raised in Somerset County

Qu In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 20th day of August 1850
M. G. Polk Clerk

Maryland, sp: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Sylvia Anne Peterson for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free; she having been born of a free woman. She is five feet three inches in height. Her complexion is black. She has a large scar on the left side of the neck and a cluster of scars on the inner side of the right wrist. She has a dark natural mark about an inch and a half from the corner of the left eye about one inch in length, and a similar one on the right cheek, but less distinct. She is about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

Qu In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this twenty first day of October 1850.
M. G. Polk Clerk

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, clerk of Somerset County Court, within the State of Maryland, by a man of colour named Sam Johnson for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a free woman. He is five feet ~~six~~ inches and a half in height: his complexion is dark chesnut: he has a scar between the elbow and shoulder of the left arm about the size of a quarter of a dollar, & a mark across the left foot: he is a stout well made man: he is now twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

(Seal)

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this tenth day of December Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty.

M. G. Polk

Maryland, p. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of color named Peter Borrowghs for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a Bill of Sale executed by William W. Handy on the 18th day of December 1847 to John B. Stemons and duly recorded that he is free - he is five feet eight inches in height - his complexion is black - he has no visible scars or marks he is about twenty two years of age and was born raised in Somerset County.

(Seal)

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 18th day of January 1837.

M. G. Polk clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland, p. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of color named Charles Henry Roberts for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman. he is five feet five inches in height, his complexion is yellow or mulattoe

he has a scar on the left leg between the knee and the ankle a-
bout the size of a half dollar & another on the great toe of the same
leg - he is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in
Somerset County - In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my

Seal

name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court
this 23^d day of January 1857. Wm. J. G. Bell Clerk
of said Court

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit; Whereas application has been
made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the
State of Maryland by a man of color named George Godfrey for a
certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify
that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been
born of a free woman - he is five feet five & a half inches in height
his complexion is chestnut, he has a large scar on his right hand
occasioned by a burn - his nose is flat - his lips are thick - he is about
twenty two years of age & was born and raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the
Seal of Somerset County Court this third day of March Anno Domini
one thousand eight hundred and fifty one Wm. J. G. Bell Clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit;

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber
Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland
by a man of color named Ben Peters for a certificate of his
freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it
is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born
of a free woman; he is five feet in height - his complexion
is black - he has a scar on his right arm between the shoul-
der & elbow about one & a half inches in length - he is
about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in
Somerset County.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this fourth day of March
Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred & fifty one
Wm. J. G. Bell Clerk
of Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County, to wit;

Whereas application has been made to me the
Subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the
State of Maryland by a man of color named Charles
Mitchell for a certificate of his freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby certify, that it is proven to my
satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a
free woman he is five feet seven inches in height, he
has a scar on the left side of his face caused by a burn,
he has another scar on the knuckles of the right hand
he is about twenty one years of age and was born &
raised in Somerset County, his complexion is black

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my
Seal name and affix the seal of Somerset County
Court this 11th March Anno Domini eighteen
hundred & fifty one William T. G. Polk Clerk
of Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County, to wit; Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court
within the State of Maryland by a man of color named
Sampson Pider for a certificate of his freedom according
to law: I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears from
a bill of Sale executed by Mary Pider on the 13th day of
November 1810 & duly recorded among the land records
of Somerset County, that he is free he is five feet eight
inches in height his complexion is yellow he has
several scars about his left eye - he has a large scar
on the left leg below the knee - he is about forty years
of age & was born & raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my
Seal name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court
this 11th day of March Anno Domini eighteen
hundred & fifty one William T. G. Polk Clerk
Somerset County Court

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me by a man of color named John Henry Gale for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a free woman. He is five feet two inches in height, he is a bright mulattoe, his hair is nearly straight, he has a scar under the right ear, he is about twenty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

(29)

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this first day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Bell Clerk
of said Court

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of Somerset County Court by a man of color named Henry Johnson for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman, he is five feet five inches in height, his complexion is black, he has a scar over the left eye about an inch in length, he is about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

(30)

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court this first day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one.
William T. G. Bell Clerk
of said Court

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court by a man of color named Charles Leovich for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free he having been born of a free woman and he is five feet five inches in height, his complexion is dark chestnut, he has a scar on the side of each wrist occasioned by a burn, he is about twenty seven years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County.

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In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this second day of April Anno Domini 1857.
William T. G. Bell Clerk of said Court

Maryland, ss; Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court by a man of color named Denard Morris for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman, he is five feet seven inches in height his complexion is black, he has no visible scars or marks except a small scar on the right hand about the size of a five cent piece just above the upper joint of the thumb, he is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.


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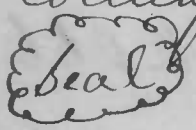
In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court this sixteenth day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred & fifty one
William G Polk Clerk
of Somerset County Court

Maryland, ss. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Courts within the State of Maryland, by a woman of colour named Sarah Anne Wheatley for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free, she having been born of a free woman. She is five feet and a half inch in height; her complexion is chestnut she has no visible scars or marks; her mouth & lips are prominent. She is about 22 years of age, and was born and raised in Somerset County.

Test

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Courts this twenty second day of April Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William M. G. Polk, Clerk
of Somerset County Court.

Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas applica-
tion has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Som-
ersit County Court within the state of Maryland by a
man of color named Levin Stanford for a certificate
of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby
Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission
executed by Sarah B. Stanford on the 10th day
of February 1832 and duly recorded among the land
records of Somerset County, that he is free he is five
feet five inches in height his complexion is black
he has two scars one on the back of his right hand & the
other on his right foot near the little toe he is about
twenty one years of age & was born & raised in
Somerset County In testimony whereof I hereto
subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County
 Court this twenty third day of April Anno
Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit where as application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County
Court within the state of Maryland by a woman of color
named Anne Banks for a certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it
appears from a deed of Manumission executed by
Susan Jenkins on the 20th day of September 1847 and
duly recorded among the land records of Somerset County
that she is free; she is five feet three and a half inches in
height her complexion is black she has a scar on the
instep of her right foot caused by a rising she is about
thirty nine years of age & was born & raised in Som-
ersit County In testimony whereof I hereto sub-
scribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this twelfth day of May eight
 - ten hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk
of Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of Color named Smith Johnson for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by Isaac Johnson on the 14th day of August 1819 and duly recorded among the land records of Somerset County, that he is free he is five feet five inches in height his complexion is black he is bald he has nearly lost the nail on his left Thumb he has a scar on the left arm about two inches in length he is about thirty eight years of age I was born & raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my
Seal name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court
this Nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred
and fifty one

William T. Polk Clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a woman of colour named Mary Pinkett for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free, she having been born of a free woman. She is five feet two and a quarter inches high: her complexion is dark chesnut. She has a small scar in the middle of her forehead about one fourth of an inch in length she is about seventeen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this twenty seventh day of May Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one.

W. T. Polk Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas appli-
cation has been made to me the subscriber clerk of
Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland
by a man of color named Henry Anderson for a
certificate of his freedom according to law; I do there-
fore hereby certify that it is proven to my sat-
isfaction that he is free ~~he having been born~~
~~free~~ he is five feet ten and a half inches ⁱⁿ height his
complexion is black he has no visible scars or marks
he is twenty four years of age & was born and
reared in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this fourteenth day of
June Anno domini eighteen hundred
and fifty one

William T. G. Polk clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas appli-
cation has been made to me the subscriber clerk
of Somerset County Court within the State of Mary-
land by a man of color named Ezekiel Wallace
for a certificate of his freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my
satisfaction that he is free ~~he having been born~~
~~free~~ He is five feet six inches in height his
complexion is black he has no visible scars
or marks He is thirty two years of age and was
born & reared in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this fourteenth day of June
Anno domini eighteen hundred and
fifty one

William T. G. Polk clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas
application has been made to me the subscribed
Clerk of Somerset County Court within the
State of Maryland by a woman of color named
Emiline Wallace for a certificate of her freedom
according to law I do therefore hereby certify that
it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free
~~she having been born free~~ she is five feet two
Inches in height of black complexion no
visible scars or marks about her person she is
thirty four years of age & was born & raised
in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto sub
scribe my name and affix the seal
of Somerset County Court this four
teenth day of June Anno Domini
eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk of
Somerset County Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas applica
tion has been made to me the subscribed clerk of Som
erset County Court within the State of Maryland by a
man of colour named Teackle Francis Jones for a cer
tificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby
certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is
free He is five feet four and a half inch in height his
complexion dark chestnut no visible scars or marks
he is twenty two years of age and was born & raised in
Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of
Somerset County Court this nineteenth
day of June Anno Domini eighteen hundred
and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named John Henry Jones for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free He is five feet five inches in height his complexion black has a scar in his forehead about $\frac{1}{2}$ an inch in length just above his nose caused by the cut of an axe He is twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this nineteenth day of June Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk clk S. C. C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court by a woman of colour named Mary Elizabeth Anderson for a certificate of her freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free She is five feet four inches in height her complexion light complexion has a large scar on the outside of the right arm just about the joint of the elbow caused by a burn She is twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this nineteenth day of June Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk clk S. C. C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a woman of colour named Nice Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is free She is five feet two inches in height of black complexion no visible scars or marks she is eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this nineteenth day of June Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named Henry Game for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free. He is five feet nine inches in height his complexion yellow or mulattoe, has a scar on the abdomen about an inch in length, he has also another scar under the left arm about three fourths of an inch in length, he is about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this eighth day of July Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas applica-
tion has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of
Somerset County Court within the State of Maryland
by a man of colour named John Blake for a
certificate of his freedom according to law: I do
therefore hereby certify, that it appears from a
judgment in Somerset County Court at May term
1840 N^o 94 Trials that he is free. He is five feet five
inches in height, black complexion, has a scar
over the left eye, little finger on the left hand is
deformed, he is about thirty years of age, and since
the date of the aforesaid judgment has resided in
Somerset County

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this ~~twentieth~~ ~~twenty~~
third day of July eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Whereas application has been made to me the subscri-
ber Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State of
Maryland by a man of color named James Henry
Girrow for a certificate of his freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby certify that it is proven to my sa-
tisfaction that he is free. He is five feet eight inches
in height, his complexion is black, he has a scar on
the palm of the right hand caused by a burn, he has
a small mole on the left side of the neck, he is about
23 years of age and was born & raised in Somerset
County. In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe

my name & affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this 2nd day of August 1857

William T. G. Polk Clerk
of said Court

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas
application has been made to me the subscriber
Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State
of Maryland by a woman of color named Nelly
Waters for a certificate of her freedom according to
law I do therefore hereby certify that it is
proven to my satisfaction that she is free.
She is five feet three inches in height of dark
complexion has a scar on the right arm near the
elbow caused by a burn and another small scar on the
left wrist caused by a cut she is thirty nine years
of age & was born and raised in Somerset County
In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of Somerset
County Court this thirteenth day of August
Anno Domini eighteen hundred
and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Seal

Maryland Somerset County to wit whereas
application has been made to me the subscriber
Clerk of Somerset County Court within the State
of Maryland by a woman of color named
Isabella Waters for a certificate of her freedom
according to law I do therefore hereby certify
that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is
free. She is five feet 1/2 inches in height of her
dark complexion has a scar on the wrist of the
right hand and one over the left eye caused by
the cut of a hatchet she is thirty four years
of age & was born & raised in Somerset
County. In testimony whereof I hereto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of
Somerset County Court this thirteenth
day of August Anno Domini
eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Seal

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit;
Whereas application has been made to me the sub-
scribe clerk of Somerset County Court within the state
of Maryland by a woman of color named Hen-
rietta for a certificate of her freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it is ~~proven to my~~
~~appears from a~~ deed of Manumission executed by
Mary G. Wilson on the sixth day of December eighteen
hundred & forty eight & duly recorded that she is free -
she is five feet four & one half inches in height, Her
complexion is yellow, she has a small mole on the
right side of the neck she was born & raised in Somerset
County & is about forty five years of age.

RS

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my
name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court
this 29th day of August Anno Domini 1851
M. G. Polk Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscribed clerk of Somerset
County Court within the state of Maryland by a man of
color named John Dutton for a certificate of his freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that is proven
to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of
a ~~free~~^{white} woman. He is five feet eight and a quarter inches
in height of ^{bright} mulatto complexion he has two scars one
on the right arm & ~~another~~^{the} on the left leg both caused by
the cut of an axe He is about thirty one years of age
and was born & raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and ~~the~~^{affix the} seal of Somerset County
Court this twenty third day of September Anno
Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty one
William J. G. Polk Clerk S. C. C.

Maryland, Somerset County, to wit;

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the state of Maryland by a woman of color named Hannah for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do hereby certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that she is the person named in the deed of Manumission executed by William S. Waters of this date whereby it appears that she is free. She is five feet two and one half inches in height - her complexion is black, she has a small scar on the wrist of her left hand - she is about 33 years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County.

WJ

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 24th day of October 1857
William T. G. Polk Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of Somerset County Court within the state of Maryland by a woman of color named Milly for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Isaac Johnson on the twenty first day of July 1829 that she is free - she is five feet four inches in height her complexion is black first joint of the little finger of the right hand off caused by a whitlow she is about thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this 4th day of November eighteen hundred and fifty one
William T. G. Polk Clerk S.C.C.

Maryland Somerset County to wit

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the state of Maryland by a man of color named Jacob Hearn for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do hereby ^{therefore} certify that it is proven to my satisfaction that he is free; He is six feet two and a half inches high, of a very bright yellow color, has a very high forehead and is partially bald, he has a scar between the first and second fingers of the right hand caused by being mashed with an axe; He is about twenty eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this thirtieth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty one
Levin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the state of Maryland by a man of color named Littleton Maddox for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Littleton Maddox is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet eleven inches in height, his complexion Chesnut, has a scar on the right side of his chin extending backward, there are no other marks or scars. He is about twenty eight years of age and is a native of Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of January Eighteen hundred and fifty two.
Levin Woolford Clk Circuit Court

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a negro man named Edmund Maddux for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Edmund Maddux is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet ten and a half inches in height. He has a large scar on his abdomen, another on his left arm and another on his left ear. His complexion is dark chesnut. He is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of January eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named Robert James Maddux for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Robert James Maddux is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet ten and a half inches in height. His complexion is dark. He has a scar on his left wrist and several scars on and near his left knee. He is about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand & affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of January eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named Zadock Maddox for a certificate of his freedom according to Law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Zadock Maddox is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four and an half inches in height. His complexion is light Chesnut. He has a small scar near his left eye. His ears are pierced. He has a very large scar on the back part of his left shoulder. He is about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Sec'd

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of January Eighteen hundred & fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named Parker Hayward for a certificate of his freedom according to Law.

I do therefore hereby certify that the said Parker Hayward is entitled to his freedom, it being proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that he was born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four and a half inches in height. He has a scar on his back occasioned by a wound from the wheel of a cart, and several small scars on his ~~face~~^{hand} and no other remarkable marks or scars. He has a slight impediment in his speech. His complexion is dark. He is now about twenty three years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Sec'd

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this ninth day of February Eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court

State of Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named William, alias Will alias Bill, for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that on the thirtieth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two, upon the petition of the said negro man named William, alias Will, alias Bill to the Judge of the Circuit Court for Somerset County for his freedom, that the said William, alias Will alias Bill was by the said Court adjudged to be free. He is five feet, two inches in height. He has a small scar on his left eye, ^{cross} and no other marks or scars. His complexion is light chestnut, his countenance pleasant and his hair is becoming very grey. He is about sixty years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this thirtieth day of February in the year eighteen hundred and fifty two
J. W. Woolford Clerk Circuit Court for Somerset County.

State of Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of ~~Somerset County~~ ^{the Circuit} Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of colour named George Coleman for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that the said George Coleman is entitled to his freedom he being born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet seven and a half inches in height has two scars on his left arm and one on the back of his left hand and also a scar on his right wrist. His complexion is dark and his countenance pleasant. He is twenty one years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this Seventh day of June in the year eighteen hundred and fifty two.
J. W. Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of Color named William Burrows for a Certificate of his Freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by Henry Leathel and dated the fourth day of March 1837 and now of record in my Office, that the said William Burrows is free, he having been proved to my satisfaction to be the same person named in and manumitted by said deed. He is five feet two inches in height, has a small scar on his left cheek near his mouth, has a very broad nose, with large nostrils, has a very rough skin & very black Complexion, He has no other visible scars or marks. He is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

W. S.

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fifteenth day of June in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Lewis Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Secretia for a Certificate of her Freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears by satisfactory testimony on oath that the said Secretia is the identical person who was manumitted and set free by David Wallace of Somerset County as recited by deed of Manumission dated the eighteenth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and six and recorded among the Records of the County aforesaid, and is therefore free. She is four feet eleven and a half inches in height. Her Complexion is dark. She has a scar under her left eye, another scar on the right side of her neck, and another on her left wrist. Her nose is prominent with large nostrils. She has ~~no other~~ ^{some} ~~visible~~ ^{marks} ~~marks~~ ^{scars}. Her front teeth are very defective some of the upper ^{front} ones ~~entirely~~ ^{entirely} gone. She is ~~now~~ in the forty sixth year of her age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name & affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this sixth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Lewis Wolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of Color named William Henry Hall for a Certificate of his freedom according to law ~

I do therefore hereby certify, that it has been proved to my satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman ~ He is five feet three inches in height, of very dark complexion, has a high forehead and has a scar on the outside of his left leg about two inches in length caused by a cut, and has quite a prominent eye; He is twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County -

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 29th day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty two

John Woodford

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Violet Hayward for a certificate of her freedom according to law:

I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that the said negro woman Violet Hayward is free she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid - She is four feet ten inches in height - Her complexion is dark - She has a mark on her left arm near the wrist and a large scar on her right shoulder and no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fourteenth day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty two.

John Woodford Clerk Circuit Court Somt. Co.

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, in the State of Maryland by a man of colour named Harry Hayward for a certificate of his freedom according to law

I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that the said Negro man Harry Hayward is free, he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet one and a half inch in height. His Complexion is Sallowish. He has a scar on his left shin occasioned by a cut and several very small scars on his arm. He has an impediment in his speech. His hair is short and thin on the top of his head. He is about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fourteenth day of August Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court Som. County

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of colour named Leah for a certificate of her freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of Manumission executed by a certain James Sawron Duvor on the nineteenth day of January eighteen hundred and fifty and recorded according to law among the records of Somerset County, that the said woman Leah is entitled to her freedom. She is five feet three inches in height. Her complexion is dark & her person robust. She has a small scar on her forehead and no other visible marks or scars. Her nose is flat and lip thick. She is now about thirty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this sixteenth day of August eighteen hundred and fifty two.

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court Som. County

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the
Judge of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of colour named
Henry Wilson for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony
that the said man of colour named Henry Wilson is entitled to his freedom he
being born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four
and a quarter inches in height. Has a scar under his right arm from a shot
wound - and another small scar on his forehead in the edge of the hair - His
ears have been pierced - His complexion is dark and his countenance pleasant
when spoken to. He is now about twenty five years of age and was born and
raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed
the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this twenty first day
of September Anno Domini 1852
Levin Woolford Clerk of the Court for Somerset County

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the Judge of the
Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of colour named Samuel Jones
for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Samuel
Jones is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of colour of the
County aforesaid. He is five feet four inches in height - His complexion is dark &
smooth - his mouth large with rather thick lips; and his teeth are turned darkish by the
scouring and no other visible marks or scars. He is now in the twenty second year of
his age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed
the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 28.
day of September eighteen hundred and fifty two.
Levin Woolford Clerk of the Court for Somerset County

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Color named Matilda Holbrook for a Certificate of her freedom according to law:

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Matilda Holbrook is entitled to her freedom She having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet one and a half inches in height - Her Complexion is dark. She has two scars on her right arm - and no other marks or scars. She has high cheek bones small eyes and nose and rather pleasant countenance. She is about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 28. day of September 1852

Levi Woolford Clerk Circuit Court Somerset County

Maryland Somerset County Co: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of Color named Wilson Ballard for a Certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of manumission dated the ninth day of October 1852 and recorded among the records of Somerset County executed by a certain David Ballard that the said Wilson Ballard is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet eleven inches in height. His Complexion is Chestnut. He has a scar on his left wrist and also one on his left knee. and no other marks or scars. His countenance is pleasant. He is now about twenty one years of age was born in Worcester^{County} but raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 11th day of October Anno Domini 1852

Levi Woolford Clerk Circuit Court Somerset County

Maryland County of Somerset: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of colour named Ariis Ballard for a certificate of her freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of Manumission executed by a certain David Ballard dated the ninth day of October in the year eighteen hundred and fifty two and duly enrolled among the records of Somerset County, that the said Ariis Ballard is entitled to her freedom. She is five feet four inches and a quarter in height - her complexion is Chesnut. She has no visible marks or scars. She was born in Worcester County, but raised in Somerset County. She is now about the age of twenty four years.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 30. day of October 1852.

Wm Woodford Clerk Circuit Court Somerset County

Maryland County of Somerset: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a negro man named Perry Ellegood for a certificate of his freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said negro man named Perry Ellegood is entitled to his freedom, he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet seven inches in height. His complexion is Chesnut. He has a large scar on his left thumb and a small scar on the left side of his chin. His eyes are small his lips thick and prominent. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this eighth day of January eighteen hundred and fifty three

Wm Woodford Clerk Circuit Court Somerset County

Maryland Somerset County Jo: Whereas application has been made to me the
subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland
by a woman of color named Henrietta Waters for a certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by
competent testimony on oath that the said woman Henrietta Waters is entitled to her
freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is
five feet one and a half inches in height, Her complexion is Chesnut - Her skin
is smooth - round face - short nose - lips rather thick & prominent - and pleasant countenance.
She has no remarkable marks or scars - is now about twenty two years of age and was born and
raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In Testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal
of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this eighth day of February in
the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three
Levin Woolford Clk. Circuit Court for Somerset County

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to
me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a ~~negro~~ woman
of color named Arista Cornish for a certificate of her freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that she the said
Arista Cornish is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman
of color of the County aforesaid, She is five feet two inches in height; has a scar
on the left breast caused by the rising of the same, has holes in her ears, is of brown
Chesnut complexion, and has no other visible marks or scars, is about twenty one
years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County.

L. S.

In testimony
whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the
seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this
9th day of February Eighteen hundred & fifty three
Levin Woolford Clk.

Maryland Somerset County ss. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Mary Weston Jones for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that she is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet four inches in height, has a scar about two inches and a half long on the right hand, extending ~~from~~ between the thumb & fore finger towards the wrist on the back of the hand, has no other visible scars or marks, she has very thick lips, remarkably prominent & is of a bright Chestnut or yellow complexion and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid and is about eighteen years of age; In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this

S.S.

twelfth day of February Eighteen hundred & fifty three

Saml Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County ss. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named John Keucher for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on oath that the said man of color named John Keucher is entitled to his freedom, he being the issue of a free woman of color of the County and State aforesaid. He is six feet one inch and an half in height. His complexion is dark. He has a scar on his left eyebrow extending down to the nose, and a scar on his right shoulder on the fore joint, also a scar on his left ~~hand~~ leg and no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of February Eighteen hundred and fifty three

Saml Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been this day made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of colour named Milly Dewitt for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that she is free, she having been proved to be the child of a free woman, born free; she is five feet four inches in height, of a dark complexion, has a very small scar on the right wrist, occasioned by a burn, has a pimple or prominence in the under lip, has two very small moles on the front of her breast, and has no other visible marks or scars; she is about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I herunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this twenty fifth day of February eighteen hundred and fifty three
Levin Woolford Clerk.

Maryland Somerset County Ct. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a woman of colour named Margaret Schoolfield for a Certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Negro woman Margaret Schoolfield is entitled to her freedom she being born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. She is five feet five inches in height, Chestnut complexion, has a scar across the right ankle, has a black spot or mole on the middle of her nose, and has no other visible marks or scars. She is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I herunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fourth day of March eighteen hundred & fifty three

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Wherein application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Milcah Anne Schoolfield, for a Certificate of her freedom according to law & I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that she is entitled to her freedom; she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet three inches in height; of Chesnut complexion, has a prominent mouth, & thick lips & she has dimples in each cheek and has no other visible marks or scars. She is about twenty four years old and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I herunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fourth day of March Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Levin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Jane Schoolfield for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that she is entitled to her freedom - she being born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet four inches in height of dark Chesnut complexion, has a small scar resembling a wart on her left wrist. Her front upper teeth are very defective has rather a down look and prominent mouth and no other visible marks or scars. She is about twenty five years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this fifth day of March Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Levin Woolford Clk Cir: Court for Somt. Co.

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me
the Subcriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland
by a woman of colour named Sarah E. Wallace for a certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction
that she is free, she having been born of a free woman of colour of the County
aforesaid. She is five feet three inches in height, of dark complexion - has a
large Scar on the Small of her back and no other visible marks or Scars. She has
rather a pleasant countenance. Her lips are thick and prominent and her nose short.
She is now about twenty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County
aforesaid.

See B.

A Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affix the
Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this tenth day of
March eighteen hundred and fifty three.
L. W. Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me
the Subcriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland
by a woman of colour named Milcah Ellen Maddox for a certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by
testimony on oath that the said negro woman Milcah is entitled to her freedom, she
having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. She is five feet six
inches in height of chestnut complexion - has a mole under her left ear, and
one on her right breast, and no other marks or Scars. She is about twenty three
years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

See B.

A Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and
affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this tenth
day of March 1853.

L. W. Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber
Clark of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid by a man of colour named William Ker
for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it is
proved to my Satisfaction that said man of colour named William Ker is entitled to
his freedom he having been born free. He is five feet two and a half inches in height
of dark complexion - has a Scar on the back of his left hand from a cut - has a very
remarkable manner of winking his eyes & the white of his eyes has a dingy or yellowish
Appearance. His person is robust and Stout. He is now about thirty five years of
age (and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid).

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of March
Eighteen hundred and fifty three
Levin Woolford CLK

Maryland Somerset County Court:

Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber
Clark of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named
Noah Morris for a Certificate of his freedom according to law &
I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction that
he is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County
aforesaid - He is six feet one inch in height, of dark brown complexion, has
a broad nose, and has lost the middle finger of the right hand up to the second
joint, by having the same cut off and has a small scar on the left
clerk bone scarcely visible & has no other visible marks or scars.

He is about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this twenty first
day of March Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Levin Woolford CLK

L. S.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by James Henry Carroll, a man of Color, for a certificate of his freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby certify, that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony under oath, that the said James Henry Carroll is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet, four inches and a half inch in height, has a small scar in the center of his forehead, is of dark Chestnut complexion, has a large scar on the joint of his left knee, and a small mole on the upper part of the right arm, and has no other visible marks or scars - He is about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

E. S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this twenty sixth day of March, Eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of Color named Henry Myrd for a certificate of his freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby certify, that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony under oath, that he is entitled to his freedom he having been born free. He is five feet seven inches in height - His complexion is dark Chestnut - His eyes are defective and rather crossed - has a scar on his right arm, another on the back part of his right leg and another on his left foot and no other visible marks or scars. He is about thirty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this seventh day of April Eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Color named Nancy Roberts for a Certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that said negro woman is entitled to her freedom, she having been born free. She is five feet one inch in height - her complexion is dark Chesnut - She has a scar on her right foot - another scar on her right shoulder - and a mark or scar on her left arm, and no other visible marks or scars. She has lost most of her front teeth - She is now about forty years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this ninth day of April eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of Color named James Parrough for a Certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of manumission executed by a certain William W. Handy on the eighteenth day of December eighteen hundred and forty seven and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and the identity of the person being satisfactorily proved to me, that the said negro James is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet five and a half inches in height. His complexion is dark Chesnut - he has a scar or mark above his left ear - and another on the back of his right hand extending from his wrist towards the knuckle - also a scar on the top of his right foot - and no other visible marks or scars. He is now in the twenty second year of his age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of April eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit;

Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of Color named Alfred Sanders for a Certificate of his freedom according to Law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction that the said Negro Alfred Sanders is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet Eight and a half inches in height, has a Scar on the little finger of the left hand occasioned by the Cutting off of a sixth finger, of bright yellow Complexion, has no other visible marks or Scars; He is now about thirty two year of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, this fifth day of May Eighteen hundred and fifty three

Sevin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit

Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Mary Santa for a Certificate of her freedom according to Law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction that the said Mary Santa is free, she having been proved to my Satisfaction to be the person who is named in and manumitted by, a certain deed of Manumission, by a certain Peter White of said County, by deed dated the third day of August Eighteen hundred and thirty one, and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid; She is five feet three and a half inches in height, of Cheenut Complexion, has a small ^{scar or} mole behind her left ear, she has lost several of her front teeth, and has no other visible marks or Scars; She is now about thirty three year of age, and was raised in Somerset County aforesaid. She was born in the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland & brought to Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this seventeenth day of May Eighteen hundred & fifty three

Sevin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subj. Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid by a man of colour named George Henry, for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that the said negro man is entitled to his freedom he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is five feet eleven and a half inches in height - has a scar on the great toe of his right foot from a burn - and a scar on his left hand at the root of the thumb - has holes in his ears - thick lips & no other visible marks or scars. His complexion is dark. He is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

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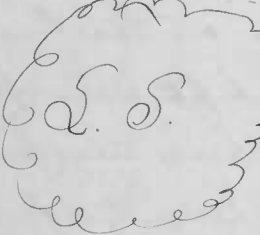
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of May in the year eighteen hundred and fifty three
Levin Woolford CR

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subj. Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid by a man of colour named Frost Dorman for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by testimony on oath that the said Frost Dorman was born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid and is therefore entitled to his freedom - He is five feet seven and a half inches in height - He has two small scars on his right elbow - a small mole on his breast, and a small scar on his left foot. His features are large & countenance pleasant His hair long and bushy. He has no other visible marks or scars. His complexion is Chesnut - He is now in the twenty seventh year of his age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

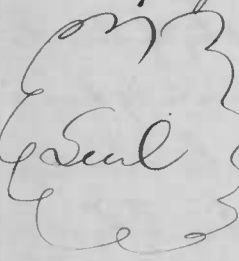
Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty sixth day of May eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Levin Woolford CR

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid by a man of Color named William Maddox for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction that said Negro man is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet, three inches in height of very black Complexion, has a Knotch in the bottom of the left ear occasions by the tearing out of an Earring, has a rough skin & no other visible mark or scar; He is about ~~thirty~~ ^{thirty three} years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, this first day of July Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred and fifty three.

E. S.  Edwin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Color named Easter Johnson for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Isaac Johnson on the eighth day of April Anno Domini 1827 and duly recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, that she is free; She is four feet, eleven and a half inches in height, of dark Complexion, has a scar on left hand occasioned by a scald & another scar on the top of the head occasioned also by a scald, and another large scar on the right ankle and has no other visible mark or scar; She is now about thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, this second day of August Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred & fifty three.

 Edwin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit; Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit
Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of color
named Estlin Coulbourn for a Certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify, that it appears from
a deed of manumission Executed by James C. Coulbourn bearing
date the thirteenth day of October Eighteen hundred and thirty
one, and duly recorded in my office, and from Satisfactory Evidence
produced before me, that she is the same person mentioned therein,
that she is entitled to her freedom & she is five feet in height,
of dark complexion, has a scar on the left arm, & one on the lower
part of the left thumb, and has a large tumour on the left side of the
face & neck, & has no other visible marks or scars ~ She is now forty
seven years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County this sixth day of September Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty three ~

Sevin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit; Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named, Samuel Wil-
liams for a Certificate of his freedom according to law - I do therefore
hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction that he is free
he having been born of a free woman ^{of color} of the County aforesaid;
He is five feet one and three quarters inches in height, of dark
complexion, The second toe of his left foot has been split by an
axe, his Ears have been pierced, & ^{the hole will} the right Ear has been torn out,
his features are small, with thick & prominent lips; he has no
other visible marks or scars ~ He is about forty five years
of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County this sixth day of September
Eighteen hundred and fifty three ~

Sevin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Briffin Coulbourn, for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by James C. Coulbourn bearing date the thirteenth day of October Eighteen hundred and thirty one, and duly recorded in my office, and from Satisfactory Evidence that he is one of the identical persons manumitted by said deed, that he is entitled to his freedom &c He is five feet Eight inches in height - of Chesnut Complexion, has a Scar on the right Side of his neck occasioned by a burn, has a Scar on the top of the left wrist occasioned by a Cut - Both his little fingers are very Crooked, has a small Scar on the inside of the right leg & one on the outside of the left thigh occasioned by being Cut - He has no other visible mark or Scar, He is about forty three years of age, & was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid & In testimony whereof I herewith

Seal } Subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this sixth day of September Eighteen hundred and fifty three &
Elin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of Color named Sonis Albert for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that he is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid & He is five feet, nine inches and a half in height, of black Complexion, has a small ^{Scar} on the upper part of the left arm, has several large Scars on the right leg occasioned by white Swelling & several small Scars on the left knee by being Cut - He has no other visible mark or Scar - He is now about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid & In testimony whereof I herewith

Seal } name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this sixth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three &
Elin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named
Seah Long for a Certificate of her freedom according to law -
I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my
Satisfaction that she is free, she having been born of a free
woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet one and
a quarter inches in height of yellow Chestnut Complexion, has
a scar about four inches long on the left arm, and a very small
scar on the under lip each occasioned by being cut, her hair is
somewhat inclined to straighten & she has no other visible marks
or scars - She is now about twenty seven or twenty eight years of
age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testi-
mony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal
of the Circuit Court aforesaid, this sixth day of
September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and
fifty three

John Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color
named Julia Anne Holland, for a Certificate of her freedom accor-
ding to law - I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satis-
faction that said Negro woman is free, she having been born of
a free woman of color of the County aforesaid - She is four feet
two inches in height of yellow Chestnut Complexion, has a mark
or scar on the top of her head very distinct upon opening the hair -
has a very small scar on the inside of the right arm, has large prominent
lips & has no other visible marks or scars - She is twenty three
years of age or thereabouts & was born & raised in Somerset
County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County this sixth day of September
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three

John Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Joyce Whittington, for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears by a deed of Manumission Executed by Jonathan Whittington bearing date the first day of March Eighteen hundred and eight, and duly recorded among the Records of said County, and by satisfactory evidence produced to me that she is the same person named & described in said deed, that she is entitled to her freedom - She is four feet eleven and a half inches in height of Chesnut Complexion; has a scar in the middle of her forehead occasioned by a cut or bruise, has a small scar on the back of her neck, and two or three small scars on her right arm and has no other visible marks or scars - She is about forty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this Sixth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three -

Seal }
Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland, by a man of color named Henry White for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Henry White is free, he being born of a free white woman of the County aforesaid. He is five feet six and a half inches in height. His Complexion is Mulatto. He has a scar on his right wrist, and one under his right eye recently made & no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

Seal } In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this Sixth day of September Eighteen hundred and fifty three -

Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Caroline Sterling for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said negro Caroline Sterling is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet three inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion - her front teeth are all gone from the upper jaw, has a very small scar on the top of the left foot, and three or four small scars on the left arm, & has no other visible marks or scars; She is now about forty two years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

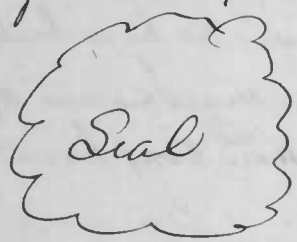
Erwin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named John Haley for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said John Haley is free, he having been born of a free white woman of the County aforesaid. He is five feet, five inches in height, of yellow (Mullato) Complexion, his hair is reddish, has a scar about an inch long in the forehead, near his hair, occasioned by a cut, his little finger on the right hand has been displaced at the outer joint, causing a considerable lump on the top of the joint, has two scars on the left leg and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about fifty two years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County Maryland.

In Witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Erwin Woolford Clerk

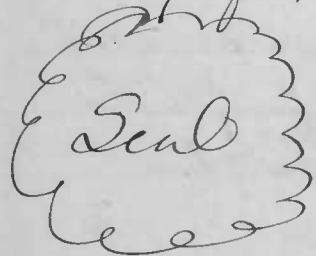
Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named Jeffrey Cottingham for a Certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said negro Jeffrey Cottingham is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four and a half inches in height, of dark complexion has a prominent forehead, very black gums, has a small scar on the left wrist and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty seven years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three

Samuel Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a man of color named Titus Cottingham for a Certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said negro Titus Cottingham is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet four inches and a quarter in height of Chesnut complexion, has a considerable protuberance on the joint of the great toe of the left foot occasioned by a cut, has a small scar on the inside of the right arm about the elbow joint occasioned by a cut, has a very small scar between his eyes, near the left, has a prominent forehead and small mouth & has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.



In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty three

Samuel Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Nancy
Sterling for a Certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore
hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said
negro woman Nancy Sterling is free she having been born of
a free woman of color of the County aforesaid & she is five feet
and three quarters of an inch in height, of yellow complexion,
has prominently under lip - has holes in her ear, has a small scar on the
left side of her face about one inch from the bottom of the left ear
occasioned by a boil and another under the throat occasioned by a boil
& her hair inclined to straighten; she has no other visible marks
or scars. She is now about Eighteen years of age and was born
and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County aforesaid this Eighth day of September
Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Seal

Levin Woolford CLK

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the
Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman
of color named Mary Ann Sterling for a Certificate of her freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby Certify that the said negro woman Mary Ann Sterling is free
it being proved to my Satisfaction that she was born of a free woman of color
of the County aforesaid. She is four feet ten and a half inches in height - of
light Chestnut complexion - has thick lips - lips a little when speaking -
she has several small scars on each of her hands but no remarkable ones
or scars - She is now in the twenty eighth year of her age and was born & raised
in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix
the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this Eighth
day of September Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Seal

Levin Woolford CLK

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereby application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Samuel Jolly, for a certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Negro man Samuel Jolly is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color. He is five feet five inches and a half in height - of dark Chestnut complexion - has a small scar on the back of his right hand - several very small scars on each hand & an oblong scar on his right shin. His countenance is pleasant - his head remarkably high - his upper gums are dark and mouth wide - He has no other remarkable marks or scars. He is now about thirty one year of age - was born in Worcester County but has resided a long time & now resides in Somerset County Maryland.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this tenth day of September Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereby application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Handy Sterling for a Certificate of his freedom according to law & I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of manumission executed on the Eighteenth day of July Eighteen hundred and forty nine, and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid by Grace Sterling of Somerset County, and by satisfactory evidence produced before me that he is the identical person manumitted by said deed, that said Negro Handy Sterling is free & said Handy Sterling is five feet seven and a half inches in height, of yellow Chestnut complexion, has gray eyes, has a scar on the right foot and another scar of considerable size on the right shin & has a high forehead & large nostrils - He has no other visible marks or scars & He is now fifty three year of age & was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this thirteenth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Mary Sterling for a Certificate of her freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my ^{by Competent testimony on oath} Satisfaction, that Said negr woman Mary Sterling is free, she having been born of a free woman of color & She is five feet, five inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has a Scar about an inch in length on the right wrist & one about three or four inches in length on the left arm, each occasioned by being burnt, She has also a small Scar on the right side of her neck about one inch below the right ear, her hair is inclined to straighten, She has no other visible marks or scars & She is now about thirty two years of age, was born in Worcester County Maryland, but has resided in Somerset County aforesaid for the last twenty five years or upward & In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid, this thirteenth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three

Seal

Erwin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County ^{in Maryland}, by a man of color named William Blake for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the Said negr William Blake is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; Said negr is five feet, four inches and a half in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a very thick suit of hair, has two scars on the lower part of the left wrist, and one small Scar on the brawn of the left thumb, his upper lip is thick, She has no other visible marks or scars & He is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid &

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this thirteenth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three &

Seal

Erwin Woolford Clk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the
Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of
Colour named Mary Waddell for a certificate of her freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said
Mary Waddell was born of a free woman of Colour of the County aforesaid and is
entitled to her freedom: She is five feet three inches in height. Her Complexion
is dark Chestnut - She has a small Scar on her forehead over her right eye &
another small Scar in her left eye brow - also another small Scar on her right
arm - and no other visible marks or scars. She has a thick suit of hair - her nose
is rather flat particularly between her eyes - Her eyes are prominent and her nostrils
wide - She is now about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in the
County aforesaid.

Seal

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of the said Circuit Court this thirteenth day of September
in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Lewis Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the
Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of
Colour named William Winder for a certificate of his freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction by competent testimony,
that said negro man William Winder is free, he being born of a free woman of
Colour of the County aforesaid: He is five feet seven inches in height - of dark Complexion -
Has two small Scars just above the small of his back - Another Scar on his
left thumb extending nearly the whole length of the thumb - Another small Scar on the top
of his right foot and over other Scar on his left great toe. He has a pleasant Countenance -
Slight beard - prominent Mouth and his gums are dark. He has no other
visible marks or scars - He is now in the twenty seventh year of his age & was born
& raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal
of the Circuit Court aforesaid this nineteenth day of September in
the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three.
Lewis Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland by a woman of color called Margaret Johnson for a Certificate
of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has
been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath, that the
said Negro Margaret is free, she having been born of a free woman of color
of the County aforesaid; She is four feet, ten inches in height of dark
Complexion, straight thin, has two small scars on the top of the right hand & the
right thumb is enlarged at the end, by having a whitlow upon it. She has no
other visible marks or scars. She is ^{now} about twenty two years of age and
was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County, this twenty seventh day of September
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty three

John Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in the State of Maryland by a man of color calling himself Elijah Johnson for a
Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has
been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath that the said
Elijah Johnson is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County
aforesaid; He is five feet, one inch, in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has large
flat nose, has a scar on the right cheek & a slight knotch at the bottom of the right
ear, & a scar on the great toe of the left foot, & has no other visible marks or scars.
He is now about twenty six years of age and was born & raised in the
County aforesaid.



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County aforesaid this twenty seventh day of September
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three

John Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of colour named Leah Jane Coan for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that said negro woman Leah Jane Coan is free, she having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. She is five feet ten & a quarter inches in height ^{has a} dark complexion large prominent eyes - her nose is flat - her ears have been pierced & her countenance is rather pleasant She has no remarkable marks or scars - She is now in the nineteenth year of her age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty seventh day of September in the year eighteen hundred and fifty three
Lionel Woodford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of colour named Gatty Jones for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Gatty Jones is free, she having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid; she is five feet and a half inch in height, of Chesnut complexion, her features are small, has a scar near the left Elbow, & one small scar on her forehead, has a scar on the left leg below the knee & no other visible marks or scars She is twenty seven years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said Court this fifth day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three

Lionel Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Jane Jones for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said Jane Jones is free, She having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is four feet ten and three quarters inches in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, has two Scars on the back of the right hand, near the wrist, and two small Scars on the back of the left hand, has a mole on the right breast & has no other visible mark or Scar ~ She is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this first day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three ~

Seal } Edwin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Mary Long for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said negro Mary Long is free, She having been born of a free woman ^{of color} of the County aforesaid; She is five feet one inch in height, of Chesnut Complexion, rough skin, has her ears pierced, has a Scar near the right elbow, two small Scars under her chin, her lips are thick & prominent & she has no other visible mark or Scar ~ She is now about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this first day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty three ~

Seal } Edwin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County &c: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of colour named
Arantina Johnson for a certificate of her freedom according to Law:

I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony,
that the said Negro woman Arantina Johnson was born of a free woman of colour
of the County aforesaid, and is therefore entitled to her freedom. She is five feet, three
inches in height - of dark Chestnut complexion - the small finger on each of her
hands is Crooked - She has no other visible marks or scars - her countenance is rather
pleasant & intelligent - has large nostrils & rather large mouth - her ears have been
pierced. She is now about twenty nine years of age & was born & raised in
Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and
affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this fifth day of
October Eighteen Hundred and fifty three.
Jerrin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the
Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of
colour named John Jones for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do
therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent
testimony on oath, that the said Negro man John Jones is entitled to his freedom
he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid. He is
five feet five inches in height - his complexion is dark Chestnut - has a large
Scar on the back of his left hand and the fore finger of his left hand is shrivelled
and much reduced by the wound on his hand - also another Scar on his left arm
above the wrist and no other visible marks or scars - his person is robust -
hair thick & woolly with thick prominent lips rather pleasant countenance -
He is now about twenty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my
name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit
Court this fifth day of October Eighteen
Hundred and fifty three
Jerrin Woolford Clerk

Somerset County, State of Maryland
On this the Sixth day of October, in the year 1853
before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace
of the Said State, in and for the County aforesaid, personally
Came Demiard Creams, of Said County, and made oath
that John Jones a Coloured Man, who is
about, to apply for a Certificate of Freedom, was born
of a free Coloured, woman, in Somerset County,
is about twenty four years old or there
~~about~~

Sworn before J. B. Stevenson

State of Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Adar Tyler for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission given to said Adar Tyler by Settlement Tyler and dated the Eighth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and thirty and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid & is proved to my satisfaction by the same deed & by Competent testimony on oaths in Connection therewith that the said Adar Tyler is free & she is five feet three inches in height, of dark ~~Complexion~~ Complexion, has a small scar on lower part of the left wrist & another on the right side of her forehead, has a considerable scar on the inside of the right leg & one small scar on the top of the right foot, has high cheek bones & has no other visible marks or scars; She is now about thirty nine years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and
C. S. } affix the seal of the said Court this twenty seventh day of
October Eighteen hundred and fifty three
Ewin Woolford Ck

State of Maryland Somerset County: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Julia Anne Hamplton for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said Mrs Julia Anne Hamplton is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is four feet ten inches & a half in height, of light yellow Complexion, has a small scar on the joint of the second finger of the right hand & a visible mole on the upper part of the left breast, she has thick Eyebrow & long hair & prominent mouth & has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name
C. S. } and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
this first day of November Eighteen hundred & fifty three
Ewin Woolford Ck

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named Joe Williams, for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony that the said Joe Williams, is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet nine inches and a half in height, of black complexion, of rough skin has a scar on the top of the right hand and a small scar on the inside of the right wrist, and one small scar on the left ankle, and a large number of small scars on his breast; He has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County V. S. aforesaid, this fourth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Erwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Hester Anne Blake for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony on oath that the said Hester Anne Blake is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet two inches in height, of dark Chesnut complexion, has short thick nose, has a considerable scar on the top of her right foot, and a large scar on her left knee and a very small scar on the top of her nose, immediately between the eye brows. She has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twenty second day of November Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Erwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County by a woman of Color named Milly Lawson for a Certificate of her
freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify, that it appears from a
deed of Manumission executed by James Lawson bearing date the third day of May
Eighteen hundred and Seventeen, and duly recorded among the records of Somerset
County, and by Satisfactory evidence produced before me of the identity of the said
Milly Lawson, that the said Milly Lawson is entitled to her freedom ~
She is five feet two inches in height, of dark Complexion, has a small
Scar on her right wrist, her mouth has a sunken appearance from
the loss of her teeth, and she has no other visible marks or Scars ~
She is now about fifty six years of age and was born and raised
in Somerset County aforesaid ~ In testimony whereof I herewith
subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid
C. S. S. } said this twenty second day of November Eighteen
hundred and fifty three ~
Ewin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County by a woman of Color named Suey Thomas for a Certificate of her
freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify, that it appears from a
deed of Manumission executed by John Sterling bearing date the eighth day
of March Eighteen hundred and forty one and duly recorded among the
records of Somerset County aforesaid, and from Satisfactory evidence produced
before me as to the identity of the said Suey, that said negro woman
Suey Thomas is entitled to her freedom ~ She is four feet, two inches and
a half in height, of dark Complexion, has a Scar on her right knee
and a large Scar across the left foot just above the toe, has a small
Scar on her right wrist and has no other visible marks or Scars ~
She is about fifty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid ~ In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name
C. S. S. } and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty second
day of November Eighteen hundred and fifty three ~
Ewin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Milly Davy for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Titus Davy bearing date the twelfth day of July Eighteen hundred and forty one and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid and from Satisfactory Evidence produced to me of her identity, that the said Milly Davy is entitled to her freedom; She is five feet, three inches in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on the right side of her face, near the bottom of the jaw and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about fifty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this
E. S. } twenty second day of November Eighteen hundred and
} fifty three
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Edwin Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Leah Jane Gale for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony Competent on oath, that said negro woman Leah Jane Gale is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is four feet ten & a quarter inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, is Crooked, has a small scar on the right cheek, a small scar on the right hand near her right thumb, her ears have been pierced, She has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about Eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
E. S. } affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this tenth
} day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Edwin Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the
State of Maryland by a man of Colour named Henry Dennis Seakle for a
Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it ap-
pears from a deed of manumission executed by a certain Eustace Seakle dated the
tenth day of January 1854 and duly recorded among the records of Somerset
County aforesaid & by satisfactory evidence produced before me of the identity
of the said Henry Dennis Seakle & by the express admission of the said Eustace
Seakle in my presence & his request that this Certificate should be
made, that the said Henry Dennis Seakle is free & entitled to his freedom -
He is five feet nine and one quarter inches in height of yellow complexion
has a small scar in the middle of his breast, has a scar on the hinder part of the right
thigh & a small scar on the middle joint of the fore finger of the right hand scarcely
visible & has his ears pierced & has no other visible marks or scars - He is now
about twenty one years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the
W. S. Seal of the said Court this tenth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen
C. 53 hundred & fifty four ~
Ewin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
by a man of color who calls himself John Williams for a Certificate of his
freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my
satisfaction that the said negro boy John Williams is free he having been born of a free
woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four & three quarters inches in height
of black complexion, has a considerable scar on the great toe of the right foot
has a long mark or scar in his forehead, & a lump or excoriation in his breast, & has no
other visible marks or scars - He is now about thirty years of age and was
born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I
hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the
W. S. said Court this thirty first day of January Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty three ~

Ewin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named Joseph Watery for a Certificate of his freedom according to Law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said Joseph Watery is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the said County; He is five feet five inches in height, has a scar on the joint of his right ankle, & five scars on the outside of his right leg, has two scars on the outside of his left leg, has a scar on the left side of his head & one on his left wrist & has no other visible mark or scar, his complexion is dark Chesnut. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name & affix the seal of the said Court this first day of February Anno Domini 1754 Eighteen hundred & fifty four.

Edw. Woolford Ck.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas applications has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the state of Maryland by a man of color named Jesse Simpkins for a Certificate of his freedom according to Law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a judgment rendered by Somerset County Court on the twenty seventh day of May Eighteen hundred & thirty five, in favour of the said Jesse Simpkins & they against William H. Maddox, for their freedom, & by satisfactory evidence upon oath of the said Jesse's identity, that the said Jesse Simpkins is free. He is five feet ten inches & a half in height, of dark Chesnut complexion, has a remarkable hump or protuberance on the right shoulder blade, & a long scar on the left shin, has both ears pierced & has no other mark or scar visible. He is about twenty two years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this first day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four.

Edw. Woolford Ck.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has
been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
by a man of Color named Pettitons Watery for a Certificate of his freedom
according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify, that it is proved to my satisfaction
that the said Pettitons Watery is free, he having been born of a free woman
of Color of the County aforesaid, he is five feet four and three quarters inches
in height of light Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on his right knee about
an inch in length, has a slight mark on the left side of his nose near his left eye
occasioned perhaps by Chickens pox, his hair is grey and he has no other visible
marks or scars - He is now about forty years of age and was born &
raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court
aforesaid this sixth day of February Eighteen hundred and
fifty four -

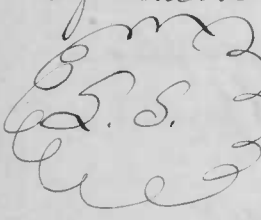
Erwin Woolford Clerk

Whereas Application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk
of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the state of Maryland by a man
of Color named John Watery for a Certificate of his freedom according
to law; I do therefore hereby Certify, that it has been proved to my
satisfaction that the said Negro John Watery is free, he having been born
of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet three &
one half inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on
the joint of the second finger of his right hand, & another on the little finger
of his left hand, has a scar between the great & second toe of his left foot
has a mole on the right side of his face & has no other visible marks or scars
He is now about forty three years of age and was born and raised in
Somerset County aforesaid -

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this
sixth day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
fifty four -

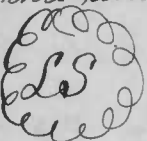
Erwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Leah Tilghman for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission to said Leah Tilghman by a certain John Handy and by satisfactory evidence of her identity produced before me, said deed of manumission being duly recorded in my office, that said Leah Tilghman is entitled to her freedom; she is five feet one and three quarters inches in height, of dark Chesnut complexion, has a light spot on the lower part of her right jaw, a scar on her left wrist and a mole on the left side of her mouth and has no other visible marks or scars; she is now about thirty nine years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty eighth day of February A. D. 1854.

E. S.  Eighteen hundred and fifty four

Erwin Woolford Ck.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named David James Wilson for a certificate of his freedom, according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said David James Wilson is free, he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid, he is five feet six inches in height of yellow complexion, has a scar on his right leg, and a ~~scar~~ scar on the first joint of the first finger of the left hand, his countenance is pleasant, his hair is inclined to be straight and he has no other visible marks or scars. He is about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this tenth day of March eighteen hundred and fifty four,

 Erwin Woolford Ck.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Julia Anne Milbourn for
a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that
it is proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony on oath that the said
Julia Anne Milbourn is free she having been born of a free woman of
Color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet two inches in height of dark
Chesnut Complexion has a Scar on the right side of her face, has a Scar on her
right side and two Scars on her right leg, has several small Scars on her right hand
has black or dark Coloured gums, has a small Scar on her left hand and
has no other visible Scar or marks; She is now about Eighteen or nineteen
years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of the said Circuit Court this twentieth day of April
A. D. 1854
Elihu Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named
Harriet Conloun for a Certificate of her freedom according to law:
I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission
executed by Isaac Conloun and dated the first day of July Eighteen
hundred and fifty three and duly recorded among the records of Somerset
County aforesaid, and from satisfactory evidence produced to me of her identity
that said Harriet Conloun is entitled to freedom; She is five feet four inches
in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, has a small Scar on the left
side of her nose, a small Scar just below her right Elbow, has a black
mole on her right Ear, has black gums & prominent upper teeth and has
no other visible marks or Scars; She is now about twenty one years
old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this seventeenth
day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four
Elihu Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of colour named Emeline Brown for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said Emeline Brown is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet four inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on her right arm about half way from her Elbow to her Wrist, has short flat nose & rather long hair, and has a protuberance on the little finger of her left hand, she has no other visible mark or scar; she is now about twenty three years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid; In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this nineteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred and fifty four

Will Wolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Mary Anne Brown for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said Mary Anne Brown is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet three and a quarter inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a protuberance on her right arm immediately above the Elbow, has a scar or lump on the back of her head, one small lump on her chin & two small lumps on her right hand at the wrist her ears are pierced, and she has no other visible mark or scar; she is now about twenty one years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid; In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this nineteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred and fifty four

Will Wolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas a application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Emanuel Price for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by William Price and dated the twelfth day of May Eighteen hundred and fifty four and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and from satisfactory evidence produced to me of his identity that said Emanuel Price is entitled to freedom; he is five feet seven and a quarter inches in height of a light chestnut complexion, has a small scar on the right leg just above the knee and a scar on the left foot just above the great toe; his nose is rather flat and he has ~~hairs~~ in his ears and has no other visible marks or scars he is now about thirty eight years old was born in Saint Mary's County, Maryland but has resided in Somerset County aforesaid the last five years or more.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twentieth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four.

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas a application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Morris Rider for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by Noah Rider and dated the twenty ninth day of April Eighteen hundred and fifty four and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and from satisfactory evidence produced to me of his identity that said Morris Rider is entitled to freedom; he is five feet and a half inch in height of a very light Chestnut complexion, he has a small scar on the outside of his right leg near the knee, a small scar on the back of the left hand and a scar on the end of the little finger of the left hand and has no other visible marks or scars; has a fine open countenance and wears ear-rings. He is now about forty five years of age ^{and} was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty first day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four.

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named Edward Whitney for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Edward Whitney is free, he having been born of a free woman of the County aforesaid; He is five feet, eight inches in height, of yellow complexion, is a bright mulatto, has long hair inclining to brownish, has a small scar on his right cheek outside & below his right eye, has a dark spot on his left wrist at the joint of the hand, has wrinkles in his forehead upon looking up, and has no other visible mark or scar; he is now about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County Maryland ~ In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this fourth day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four ~


Wm Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Alfred Ballard for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission dated the twenty ninth day of May Eighteen hundred and fifty four from a certain David Ballard to the said Alfred Ballard & from satisfactory evidence produced to me of his identity, that the said Alfred Ballard is entitled to freedom; He is five feet, seven & a half inches in height of rather dark Chesnut complexion, has a prominent & rather pointed upper lip, has a scar on his right shin & one on his right knee, has scars on the joints of the first two fingers of his right hand which he says are of recent date, & has no other visible mark or scar ~ He is now about twenty two years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~ In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this Eleventh day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four ~

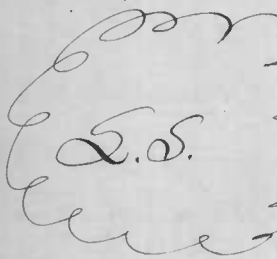
Wm Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Where as application has been made to me the
subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of
color named Augustay Blake for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do
^{therefore} hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Augustay Blake is free,
she having been born of a free woman of the County aforesaid; She is five feet three and a
half inches in height, of dark chestnut complexion, has long hair, flat nose and thick pro-
truded lips and a pleasant countenance, has a scar on the back part of the right leg just
above the knee, a small scar on the left arm just above the elbow, a small scar on the right
arm just above the wrist and a small mole on the fore part of her neck; and has no other
visible marks or scars; She is now about twenty seven years of age and was born and
raised in Somerset County Maryland.

 In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal
of the said Circuit Court this nineteenth day of July Anno Domini Eigh-
teen hundred and fifty four.

Edwin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Where as application has
been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland, by a man of colour who calls himself Major
James Peterson for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore
hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said
Major James Peterson is free, he having been born of a free woman
of colour of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight inches & a quarter
of an inch in height, of black complexion, has prominent under lip, small
ears, a small scar on the back of his right hand & a large scar on
his right shin & a lump on the top of his left foot & has no other
visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty five years of age
and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

 In testimony
whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of the said Circuit Court, this twenty ninth
day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and
fifty four.

Edwin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color who calls himself Adam Riggins for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that from a deed of Manumission filed this day in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, for record from Nancy Outen of Somerset County for the said Adam Riggins from satisfactory proof of his identity produced before me, it appears that the said Adam Riggins is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet five and a half inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, is becoming gray, has broad mouth & nose, has a considerable plain scar on the right arm between the elbow & wrist, has a scar on the left thumb & another on the right little finger, has a scar on both his knees & has no other visible marks or scars - He is now about fifty years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid
E. S. } this seventh day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and fifty four -

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color who calls herself Adilla Moore for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Adilla Moore is free, she having been born of a free woman of the County aforesaid; She is five feet six inches in height, of chestnut complexion. Her skin is smooth, her countenance pleasant, her hair is rather longer and finer than that of her race generally she has no visible marks or scars, she is now in the twenty eighth year of her age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this eleventh day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color who calls himself Abram Bell for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears from a Deed of Manumission executed by Hetty Bell, and dated the Eleventh day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty four, and from satisfactory evidence produced to me of his identity, that the said Abram Bell is entitled to freedom; He is five feet, nine inches in height, of a dark Chesnut complexion, has a good set of teeth, which are very white, and show to great advantage when laughing; he has a scar on the outside of the right thigh and a scar on the first finger of the right hand, and has no other visible marks or scars: he is now about forty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County Maryland.



In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighteenth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty four.

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Colour who calls herself Emeline Furnip for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed by a certain Josiah Furnip of said County dated the twenty fifth day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty three and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and from satisfactory evidence of her identity produced before me, that the said negro woman Emeline Furnip is entitled to her freedom, she is five feet two and a quarter inches in height, of dark yellow complexion, has high cheek bones, has a large scar on her right wrist and another large scar on the top of her right hand, she has a few spots or freckles on her nose they no other visible scars or marks; she is now about forty three years of age, was born & raised in the state of Mississippi, but has been for the last twenty years & upward a resident of Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this thirtieth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five.

L. S. }
Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereby application has
been made to the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in the State of Maryland by a man of color named John Turpin for
a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify
that it appears from a deed of manumission Executed by a certain Josiah
Turpin of Somerset County on the twenty fifth day of January 1853 and duly
recorded among the land records of Somerset County aforesaid, and from satis-
factory proof produced before me of his identity, that the said negro boy
John is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet nine inches in height
of dark Chestnut complexion, has large nostrils, has a considerable scar on
his right knee, has large prominences in the joints of his wrists particularly the left
and has no other visible mark or scar; He is about twenty two years
of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
E. S. } affix the seal of the said Court this thirtieth day of January
1853 } in the year four and eight hundred and fifty five ~
E. W. Woolford

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereby application has been
made to the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the
State of Maryland by a man of color named James Coltrane for a certificate
of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from
a deed of manumission Executed this day by John T. Fontaine & filed to be recorded
in my office & from satisfactory proof of his identity, that the said James
Coltrane is entitled to his freedom - He is five feet eight inches in height
of light Chestnut complexion, has gray eyes, has a large scar on the right
side of his back just above the hip & has no other visible mark or scar
He is now about twenty six years of age and was born & raised
in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court
E. S. } aforesaid this third day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and fifty five ~
E. W. Woolford

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, Application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Jane Heath for
a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby
certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said
Jane Heath is free she having been born of a free woman of color,
of the County aforesaid; She is five feet two inches & a half in height
of dark Chesnut Complexion, has holes in her ears, has a small Scar over her
right eye & a small Scar on the upper part of her left arm & has no
other visible mark or Scar; she is now about twenty eight years of
Age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony
whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of the said Circuit Court this thirteenth day of
February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five
Levin Woodford Clerk

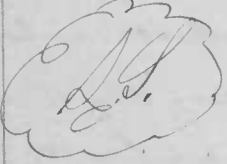
Maryland Somerset County Ct.
Whereas on the application of David James Wilson a free person of colour of
Somerset County in the State of Maryland, & Levin Woodford Clerk of the
Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, did on the tenth day of March in the
year eighteen hundred and fifty four grant unto the said David James Wilson
a certificate of his freedom: and whereas the said David James Wilson has this
day produced to me satisfactory evidence on oath that the said certificate of free-
dom so as aforesaid granted to him was accidentally lost and destroyed, Now there-
fore I do hereby certify that it appears from the original certificate granted as aforesaid
and from the identity of the said David James Wilson sufficiently proven to
me that he is entitled to his freedom, He is five feet six inches in height of yellow
complexion, has a scar on his right leg, and a scar on the first joint of the first fin-
ger of his left hand, his countenance is pleasant - his hair is inclined to be straight
he has no other visible marks or scars. He is at the date hereof about twenty two
years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 29th day of
March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five.



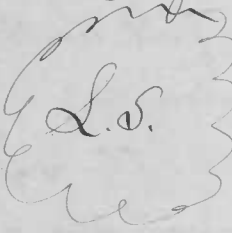
Levin Woodford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of colour named William Smead Elzey for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said William Smead Elzey is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet three and a quarter inches in height of a very dark complexion, smooth skin, prominent features and dark gums, and wears his hair long; he has a very small scar on the back of his neck occasioned by a boil, and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this seventh day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five.

 L.S.

Levin Woolford Clerk.

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Martha Elizabeth Hill for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that said Martha Elizabeth Hill is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet one and a half inches in height, of light yellow complexion, has long hair, has a scar on the right side of her face, has a scar on her right knee, her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars. She is about seventeen years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this ninth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty five

 L.S.

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit:

Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Henrietta Jones for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission from a certain Leah Fontaine to the said Henrietta Jones and from satisfactory Evidence produced before me of her identity that the said Henrietta is entitled to her freedom, said deed being of even date with these presents & filed for record in my office; said Henrietta Jones is five feet one inch in height of light yellow complexion has long straight hair, has a small scar in her forehead & a small scar on her right hand near the thumb & has no other visible marks or scars; she is now about thirty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County, but now lives as she says in the City of Baltimore ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this twenty seventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty five ~

Levin Woolford Clk

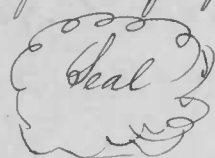
State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of Color named Esther Covington for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Esther Covington is free, she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid, she is five feet two & three quarters inches in height, of black complexion, has a considerable scar on her right arm & a small scar on the right side of her face near her ear, her ears have been pierced, she has long hair & has no other visible marks or scars; she is now about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this eighteenth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five ~

Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named William John Moore for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said William John Moore is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, he is five feet two inches in height, of a dark chestnut complexion, has a small scar over his right eye and a considerable ^{scar} on his right wrist and another small scar on the inside of the right wrist, and has no other marks or scars; He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this third day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five

Levin Woolford CLK.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named John Whittington for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission from a certain Thomas C. Whittington to the said John Whittington and from satisfactory evidence produced before me of his identity that the said John Whittington is entitled to his freedom, said deed being of even date with these presents and filed for record in my Office; Said John Whittington is five feet eleven and a half inches in height of light chestnut complexion, prominent features and has a scar on the left hip about three inches in length, and has no other visible marks or scars, he is now about forty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this seventeenth day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five

Levin Woolford CLK.

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit, Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Elizabeth Francis Schoofield for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Elizabeth Francis is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet two inches and three quarters in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has her left eye nearly put out, making it very small & nearly closed, her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars; She is now about Eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid, this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five -

E. S. }
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Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of color named Casey Ellen White for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said Casey Ellen is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is four feet eleven inches & a half in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a small scar on her upper lip scarcely visible and a very small scar on the side of her right wrist, her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about Eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid, this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five -

E. S. }
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Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Eliza Roberts for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Eliza Roberts is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, she is five feet, two and a quarter inches in height of Chesnut complexion, has a scar on her left arm just below the elbow, a scar on the left side of the face near the eye, two small scars on the right hand and has her ears pierced, and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

G. P.
Clerk

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Eliza Roberts for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that said Eliza is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet three inches and three quarters of an inch in height, of dark Chesnut complexion has a tumor or wen on her right wrist & a scar on her left thumb & has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

G. P.
Clerk

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Sarah Elizabeth Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Sarah Elizabeth is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid & she is four feet eleven inches in height, of dark chesnut complexion, has a small scar a little below her right elbow and a small scar on her right wrist scarcely visible, her ears have been pierced; she has no other visible marks or scars; she is now about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

[Signature]

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five.

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Hester Anne Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction that the said Hester Anne is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid & she is four feet seven inches in height, of dark chesnut complexion has one small scar on her right arm at the elbow and three small scars on her right arm below the elbow, has a scar on her right arm below the elbow and has no other visible marks or scars. She is ^{now} about twenty nine years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

[Signature]

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty five.

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Depe Gillip, for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it is has been proved to my satisfaction that said Depe Gillip is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet seven and a half inches in height, of black complexion - has holes in his ears and a small scar on his upper lip, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named George Turpin for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said George Turpin is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, he is five feet five and a quarter inches in height, of yellow complexion, brown eyes, scar on the great toe of the left foot, has a small scar over the left eye and a small scar on the fore finger of the right hand, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Henry Burrows for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Henry Burrows is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet four and a half inches in height, of dark Chestnut complexion, and prominent features; has a small scar on the right side of his forehead near the edge of his hair and a small vaccination scar on the left arm; and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twenty ninth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~
Levin Woolford CLK.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named William Peters for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said William Peters is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet nine and a half inches in height, of dark Chestnut color, and has a large scar from a burn on the back of the right hand and arm up to the elbow, and a small scar on the same arm above the elbow and a small scar on the left arm above the elbow and several scars on the back of the neck from cupping, and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this sixteenth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~
Levin Woolford CLK.

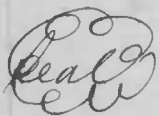
State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Stanley for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said John Stanley is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet seven inches in height, of very dark complexion, fine open countenance, high forehead, and long bushy hair - and has a small scar on the upper part of the nose near the eyes and a very small scar near the end of the second finger of the right hand and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twentieth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six

Levin Woolford Clerk.

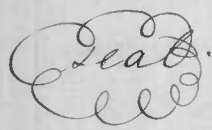
State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Washington Hopkins for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Washington Hopkins is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet nine inches in height, of a light chestnut complexion, good teeth and pleasant countenance has rather a high and broad forehead and wears his hair long and has a scar on the right foot near the great toe caused by the cut of an axe and has no other visible marks or scars he is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid




In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twenty first day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Perry Wright for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Perry Wright is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet five and a half inches in height of very dark complexion good teeth and open countenance, has a low, narrow forehead, and wears his hair long - has a small scar on the right side of the upper lip near the corner of his mouth and a small mole on ^{his} back just above the right hip, and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now twenty one or two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid: ~

 In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twenty first day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six.
Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named William P. White for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on oath that the said William P. White is free, he having been born of a free woman of the County aforesaid; he is five feet six and a half inches in height - dark chestnut complexion - long bushy hair - flat nose - and thick lips - has a large scar on the knee of his right leg - occasioned by the cut of an axe - two small scars on his right arm, near the elbow - and a small scar on his right wrist - has no other visible marks or scars - he is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid: ~

 In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this 5th day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty six. ~

Levin Woolford Clk. ~

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a negro woman named Caroline for a certificate of her freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission from Thomas Laird, to said negro woman Caroline records in Liber G. H. No 9 Folios 591 and 592, one of the record books in my office, and by an act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at January session Eighteen hundred and fifty six Chapter thirty and by satisfactory evidence of her identity ^{and by satisfactory evidence of her identity} that the said negro woman Caroline is entitled to her freedom - She is five feet, five and a half inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a ^{small} mole or spot just below her left eye, a scar on her right knee, and has no other visible marks or scars; She is now about forty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty six
E. S. }
Sevin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named William Sterling for a certificate of his freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of manumission from Henry Sterling Senior to said William dated the seventh day of December eighteen hundred and fifty five and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County and by satisfactory proof produced before me of the death of the said Henry Sterling and of the identity of the said negro William, that said negro William Sterling is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet five inches and a half in height - of black complexion, has high cheek bones - has a scar on the end of his right thumb - & a small scar on the left side of his breast and has no other visible marks or scars - He is now about forty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. -

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 8th day of December Anno Domini eighteen hundred & fifty six -
L. S. }
Lerrin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of Colour named Levin Cottman for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears by a deed of Manumission from David Waver to the said Levin Cottman, dated the twenty third day of February Eighteen hundred and fifty two, and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of his identity, that the said Levin Cottman is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet Eight and a quarter inches in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, high forehead, flat nose, has a scar on his right knee and a scar on the left foot near the toe, and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about fifty Eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid; In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court

E. S. } this tenth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and fifty six. ~

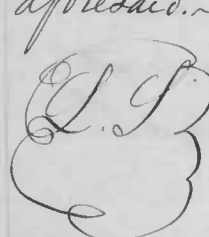
Levin Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of Color named Leah Cottman for a Certificate of her freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby Certify, that it appears from a deed of Manumission dated this day, and this day filed for record in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County from William T. G. Polk Administrator of Arnold Cottman to the said Leah and by satisfactory evidence of her identity, that the said Leah is entitled to her freedom. She is four feet nine and a half inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a small scar or mark below her left elbow, her ears have been pierced, has large eyes, a small scar on the front of her neck & has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court, this

E. S. } thirty first day of December Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and fifty six. ~

Levin Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of colour named Noah Waters for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Noah Waters is free, he having been born of a free woman of colour of the County aforesaid; he is five feet four inches and a quarter in height, of dark chesnut complexion, thick lips, good teeth and open countenance, stoutly built, - broad shoulders and has a scar on the left leg below the knee from the cut of an axe, - has a very small hole in the right ear, and his ears appear to have been frosted; he has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

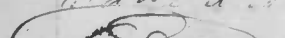
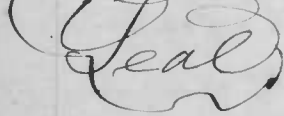
 In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this seventh day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.

Levin Woolford CLK.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of color named Henrietta Nutter for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved appears by a deed of manumission from Joseph Cornish to the said Henrietta dated the 8th day of July, 1856 and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of her identity, that the said Henrietta Nutter is entitled to her freedom. She is five feet and one inch in height, of a bright yellow complexion, high forehead, & defective upper teeth - She has several scars on her left arm from cupping, a scar on her right wrist, a scar on the top of each foot & a scar on the breast, & has no other visible marks or scars; She is now about thirty five years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this Eleventh day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty seven.

Levin Woolford CLK.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named Levin Thomas Horsey for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Levin Thomas Horsey is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; he is four feet and ten inches in height, of very dark complexion, flat nose, blind in the left eye, has a scar on the upper part of the left hand and has a slight impediment in his speech, and has no other visible marks or scars; he is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this fourteenth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a man of Color named James Clarke for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that the said James Clarke has proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony produced before me that he the said James Clarke is entitled to his freedom, having been born of a free woman of the County aforesaid. He is five feet one and three quarters inches in height, of Chestnut Complexion, has a small scar over his right eye, and a small scar on his left arm about two inches above the elbow, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this twenty fifth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit, Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named John
Wesley Jones for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore
hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Competent
testimony that the said John Wesley Jones is entitled to his freedom he
having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid
He is five feet five and a half inches in height, of dark complexion
has three scars on his left arm below his elbow, one scar on his right arm
near the elbow, a scar on his left leg below the knee, and a scar on his
right leg below the knee, has a small scar on his left eye and three small
scars on his left wrist, and one small scar on his right hand ^{and a scar near the middle of his breast} and has no
other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age
and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In witness
whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said
Circuit Court this twelfth day of May Anno Domini
Seal } Eighteen hundred and fifty seven -

Samuel Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit, Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland, by a woman of color named Julia Gale for a Certificate of her
freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been
proved to my satisfaction that the said Julia is free, she having been
born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five
feet & one half inch in height of black complexion, large black
nose, has a small mark on the left side of her face near her mouth
a scar on her left arm at the elbow, her ears have been pierced -
and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about
twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe

my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit
Seal } Court this twenty sixth day of May Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty seven -

Levin Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Leah Gale, for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Leah Gale is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet one and three quarter inches in height, of black complexion, has a scar on her left arm above the wrist, has a small scar on her right arm, front teeth are wide apart - her ears have been pierced and she has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty sixth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

Levin Woolford clk.

William H. Smyth

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named Nelson Broughton for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a bill of sale and of manumission from a certain Gitterson Postman to said Nelson Broughton dated the eighth day of November Eighteen hundred and fifty six & recorded in Liber S. W. N^o 5, one of the record books in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County and from satisfactory testimony on oath produced before me of his identity, that the said Mrs Nelson Broughton is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet four inches in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on the back of his neck, has a scar on his left arm above the elbow and a scar on the upper part of his right thigh, has a high forehead & has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about fifty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In witness whereof

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid, this twenty eighth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty seven

(Isaac Hickory witness)

Levin Woolford clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a man of Color named Caleb Collins for a Certificate
of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been
proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony on oath that the said Caleb
Collins is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County
aforesaid. He is five feet, Eight inches in height of dark Chesnut Complexion,
has a Scar on the joint of his left ankle, a small Scar on the right side
of his face & one small Scar over his right eye, a small Scar on the left side
of his forehead & has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about
twenty five years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the
Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this twelfth day of June Anno
D. S. Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.
Levin Woolford Clerk
(William Foster Senr. Witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made
to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland
by a man of Color named Edward Roberts for a Certificate of his freedom according
to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction
by Competent testimony under oath, that the said Edward Roberts is free
he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid.
He is five feet two and a half inches in height of dark Chesnut Complexion,
has a Scar in the middle of his forehead, a small Scar over the corner of his
left eye, has a Scar on his left ankle, his Ears have been pierced & he has
no other visible marks or Scars; He is now about twenty two years of
age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony
whereof I hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal
of the said Court this sixteenth day of June Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.
Levin Woolford Clerk
(Nash Kelly Witness)

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Milbourn for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a Deed of Manumission from a certain Stephen T. Hargis to said John Milbourn dated the sixteenth day of June Eighteen hundred and fifty seven and now on file for record in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid and from satisfactory testimony produced before me of his identity, that the said negro John Milbourn is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet five and a half inches in height, of dark chestnut complexion, has a small scar on the great toe of the right foot, a small scar on the upper part of the right foot, a small scar on the left hand near the little finger. Has a high forehead, flat nose and an impediment in his speech, and has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about thirty three years of age, and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this seventeenth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

Seal

(Litteton Polk witness)

Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Emily Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony upon oath that this said Emily Jones is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet in height, of dark complexion, has a scar on the joint of her left wrist and a small scar on her right arm at the elbow. Ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about sixteen years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty ninth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven

R. S. Jones

Levin Woolford Clerk

(Robert V. Jones witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Wherean application
has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County by a woman of Color named Hettie Morris for a Certificate of her
freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been
proved to my Satisfaction by testimony upon oath that the said Hettie
Morris is free, she having been born of a free woman of Color of the
County aforesaid. She is four feet eleven & a half inches in height, of
yellow Complexion, has a scar on her right hand at the upper joint of the
fourth finger, a scar on her right arm near the elbow, a scar on her left
arm near & below the elbow & a small scar on her right cheek opposite
her nose her Ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks
or scars, she is now about twenty two years of age and was born & raised
in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this
E. S. } twenty ninth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hun-
C. S. } dred and fifty seven.
Levin Woolford Clerk

(Rob. W. Long Witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Wherean application has
been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland by a man of Color named John William Lankford for a Certifi-
cate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has
been proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony upon oath, that the
said John William Lankford is free he having been born of a free woman of
Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet three and a quarter inches in height
of dark Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on the top of his right foot, a scar on
his right ankle, a small scar in the brawn of his right thumb, a scar in his
forehead, his Ears have been pierced & he has no other visible marks or scars.
He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this second
E. S. } day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty
C. S. } seven.
Levin Woolford Clerk

(Samuel J. Windsor Witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of ~~her~~ color named Mary Jane Dashill for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said Mary Jane Dashill is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid - She is five feet, five inches and a quarter in height of light chestnut complexion - has a small scar on the left cheek - her features are prominent - broad forehead and has an intelligent countenance - has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about forty two - years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

In Testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this 6th day of July Anno Domini eighteen hundred and fifty seven

Levin Woolford Clerk

John A. Shores sworn C.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Samuel Hovey for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Samuel Hovey is free he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight and a quarter inches in height, of black complexion, has high cheek bones, has a large scar on his left side, has a small scar on his right elbow and a scar on his right arm above the elbow, his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty one year of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid,

In testimony whereof I herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven

Levin Woolford Clerk

Arthur Lankford Witness Sworn

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named Robert King, for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said Robert King is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet eight and a half inches in height, of dark complexion, has a scar on the fore part of each of his legs below the knee, a very small scar on the right elbow - has a flat nose, good teeth and fine open countenance, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County this first day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.
Levin Woolford CLK.

Robert A. King sworn

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Henry Johnson, for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of manumission from William Williams to said John Henry dated on the fifth day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifteen and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County and by satisfactory proof upon oath, produced before me of the identity of the said negro John Henry, that the said John Henry Johnson is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet four and one fourth inches in height, of black complexion, has a scar on the left collar bone, caused by a fracture, a small scar on the back of the left hand and an enlargement of the knuckles of the left hand from a sprain, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about forty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this ~~first~~ ^{fourth} day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.
Levin Woolford CLK.

Charles C. Green witness sworn

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Henrietta Whittington for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said Henrietta Whittington is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. - She is five feet one and three quarter inches in height of light Chestnut Complexion, has a small scar on the right arm above the elbow - The middle toe of the right foot is shorter than the others - She has a fine open countenance - wears her hair long and her ears have been pierced - She has rather a slender form and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about thirty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eleventh day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

Benjamin T. Coulbourn sworn }
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Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Elizabeth Ellen Leatherbury for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said Elizabeth Ellen Leatherbury is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. ~ She is four feet eleven and a half inches in height, of dark Complexion, has two small scars on the left wrist - a scar near the elbow of the right arm - a small scar on the back of the neck - a scar on the right shoulder and a small scar on the forehead and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighteenth day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

Capt. Peter Price sworn }
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Levin Woolford Clerk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Ephraim Schoolfield for a Certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath that the said Ephraim Schoolfield is free he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; he is five feet seven inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has thick lips, has a large mole on the right shoulder at the bottom of his neck, has a Scar on his right hand near the Knuckle, and has no other visible Mark, or Scar. He is now about twenty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the

E. S. D. } said Court this Eighth day of September Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty seven

(Dany Telfordman Sworn)

Wm Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named George Henry Hayman for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath that the said George Henry Hayman is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet nine and a half inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a Scar on the side of his right knee. & two Scars just below his left knee, has a black mole over his right eye and has no other visible Mark, or Scar. He is now about twenty three years of age, was born in Somerset County aforesaid, was taken when seven years old, to Talbot County in said State where he remained until lately when he removed back to Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand

E. S. D. } Eight hundred and fifty seven

D. W. E. Water Sworn

Wm Woolford Clk

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Francis Boston for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Francis Boston is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight and a half inches in height of dark chestnut complexion, prominent features, pleasant countenance, red eyes, and wears his hair long and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

W. S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this seventeenth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

William J. Gankford sworn

Lewis Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named George Peter, for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said George Peter is entitled to his freedom, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet two and a half inches in height, of dark complexion, has a large scar on his right shin & another large scar on his left shin, a scar on his right arm below the elbow, his ears have been pierced, & he has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~

W. S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty eighth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven. ~

Lewis Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Thomas Morris for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said John Thomas Morris is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is four feet ten inches in height of dark Chesnut complexion, prominent features and good open countenance and has a small scar on the inside of the calf of the right leg, and he has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this thirty first day of December Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.

William Handy sworn }
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Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Emily Ballou for a Certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been properly vouched for & proved to my satisfaction that the said Negro woman Emily is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color. She is five feet and one half inch in height, of Chesnut complexion, has a scar on the corner of her left eye, a scar on her right shin & one on her left shin, her nose & jaw is prominent & she has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about thirty two years old, was born in Worcester County, Maryland & was early removed to Somerset County aforesaid, where she was raised and now resides in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this fifteenth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred fifty eight

Wm. T. A. Spence (Witness)

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named Samuel Collins for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Samuel Collins is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet ten inches in height of very dark complexion, with flat nose & thick lips: has a scar about an inch long on the right side of the forehead ^{at the} edge of the hair, and a small scar on the forehead and another on the right cheek occasioned by chicken pox, and has no other visible marks or scars: He is now about thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this ninth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

Wm. H. Mariner sworn

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named Wesley Parker for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on oath that the said Wesley Parker is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet seven inches in height of yellow complexion, has a scar at the root of his right great toe, a scar on his right ankle joint & one above the joint on the right ankle - has a scar on his left foot & one on his left ankle, a small scar over his left eye and has no other visible marks or scars: He is now about thirty six years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County Maryland.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this ~~seventeenth~~ eighteenth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

E. S. (Mary J. Sturman Sworn)

Wm. Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of colour called Edward Arwood for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath that the said Edward Arwood is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight inches in height of Chesnut complexion, has a scar on his left wrist, ^{a scar} on the right side of his neck, a scar across his nose and one over his left eye and has no other visible marks or scars - He is now about thirty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said Circuit Court this eighteenth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight ~

(Moses S. Stovens Esq.)

Will Woodford Clk

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named George Cornish for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a Deed of Manumission from Joseph Cornish to the said George Cornish and other dated the Eighth day of July Eighteen hundred and fifty six and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of the identity of the said George Cornish that the said George Cornish is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet four inches in height of yellow complexion, has two small scars on the right knee a tolerably high forehead and a good open countenance and has no other visible marks or scars. - He is now about thirty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. ~


In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty third day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight. ~

Levin Woolford Clk.

Levin J. H. Irving Esq. 3

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named James Renshaw Dashiell for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said James Renshaw Dashiell is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four and three quarter inches in height, of light chestnut complexion, prominent features and wears his hair long. He has a small scar on the thumb and a small scar on the fore finger of the left hand and several small scars on the upper part of the thumb just above its juncture with the fore finger of the right hand, and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

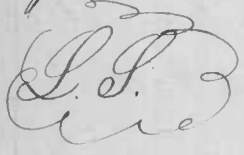
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.


Gamael Banks sworn 3

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of color named Amey Anne Dashiell for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Amey Anne Dashiell is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet and one inch in height, of yellow complexion, rather thin visage & good teeth; She has a mole on the inside of the left thigh, a scar on each arm, from vaccination, and has her ears pierced, and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.


Seth D. Venables sworn 3

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Edward James Dennis for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Edward James Dennis is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet three and a half inches in height of black complexion, flat nose, has a small scar on the inside of the left thumb and small scar near the end of the little finger of the left hand and a small scar on the right cheek near the corner of the eye and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

R. J. Dennis

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this fifth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight
Robert J. Dennis sworn $\frac{3}{4}$ Levin Woolford clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of color named Sarah Gale for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said Sarah Gale is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet one inch in height of yellow complexion, has a scar across her right wrist and scar on her forehead over her right eye, her ears have been pinned & she has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony

S. S.

whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this eighth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight

Wm. J. Nottingham Witness sworn

Levin Woolford clk.

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named William Thomas Gale for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said William Thomas Gale is entitled to his freedom, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four inches and a quarter in height of bright yellow complexion, straight hair, and a large mark or scar on the right side of the face, extending to the corner of the mouth; his ears have been pierced and ^{he} has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

S. J.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this nineteenth day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

Sydney S. Jones sworn

Levin Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Emeline Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Negro Emeline Jones is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet in height, of dark Chestnut complexion, has a scar on the right side of her breast, a scar on her left hand above the knuckles, a scar on her little finger of her right hand and has no other visible scars or marks. She is now about thirty seven years old judging from her appearance & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this fourth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight

Levin Woolford Clk.

Witness
James A. Dennis Esq
Robert W. Jones Sworn

State of Maryland Somerset County writ: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Sarah Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify, that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said negro Sarah Jones is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet in height of yellow complexion, has a scar over her left eye, has a mole or black spot on the inside of her right arm near her elbow joint. her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible mark or scar. She is now about twenty years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty eight



Witness my hand
James W. Dymally Esq
(Robert W. Jones Esq)

Wm Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County writ: .
Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland, by a woman of color named Maria Evans for a certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a judgment of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, rendered on the tenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, in favor of negro Maria, against Severin Bradshaw and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of her identity that the said Maria Evans is entitled to her freedom. She is five feet two inches in height of Chesnut complexion, has two scars on her right shoulder a small scar on her right thumb and has no other visible mark or scar. She is now about thirty nine years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this sixteenth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight 1858



(David Tyler Swain)

Severin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set;
Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, by a woman
of Color named Leah Crowell for a certificate of her freedom
according to law. I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears
by a deed of manumission from Harrier Crowell to said
Leah dated 4th May 1831 & duly recorded among the
land records of Somerset County aforesaid & by satisfac-
tory evidence produced before me of her identity, that
the said negro Leah is entitled to her freedom she is five
feet one inch in height of black complexion has a scar
on the left hand between the thumb & four fingers and a scar on
the left arm just above the wrist caused by the bite of a dog
and another on the right arm near the bend of the arm caused
by the bite of a dog & has no other visible marks or scars
She is now about thirty seven years old and was
born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court for Somerset
County this 22^d day of June Anno Domini 1858
Leonard Evans Esq. } Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been made
to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, by a man
of Color named Valentine Corbin for a certificate of his freedom according
to law I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears by a deed of man-
umission from John Corbin executed on the 26th day of June 1858 and
now on file and of record among the land records of Somerset County
aforesaid that the said Valentine is entitled to his freedom
He is five feet four & 1/4 inches in height of ^{black} complexion
has a scar on the left leg and one on the left wrist and has
no other visible scars or marks. He is now about thirty
four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid

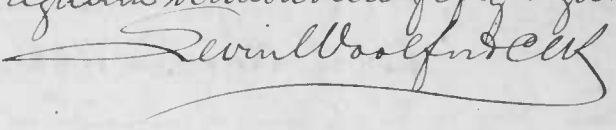
In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the
said Circuit Court this 29th day of June
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John Corbin his master present } Levin Woolford Clerk

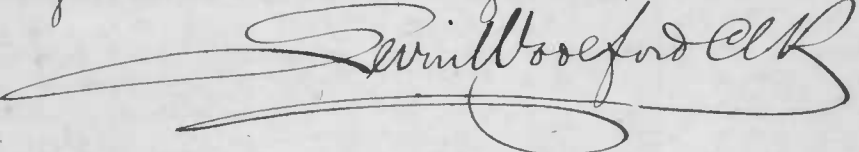
State of Maryland Somerset County Sec: whereas application
has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County by a woman of color named Darkey Gale
for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby
certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony under
oath that the said Darkey Gale is free, she having been born
of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid she is five
feet one inch in height of Chesnut complexion has a small
scar on her right arm & a small mole on her right side & has
no other visible marks or scars she is now about twenty
years of age I was born and raised in Somerset County
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court
this 6th day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hun-
dred and fifty eight 1858
Levin Woolford Clerk
M^{rs} H Jones sworn }

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made
to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman
of color named Jane Cottman for a certificate of her freedom according to law: I
do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the
said Jane Cottman is free, she having been born of a free woman of color
of the County aforesaid, she is five feet two and a half inches in height
of yellow complexion, has a vaccine mark on her left arm a scar on her left
elbow, has a scar on each of her breasts and has no other visible marks or scars
she is now about eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this tenth day of August
in the year four and one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight
Rufus W. Braden sworn
Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me
the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland
by a woman of Color named Elizabeth Ballard for a Certificate of her
freedom according to law I do therefore hereby Certify, that it has been proved to
my Satisfaction that the Said Elizabeth Ballard is free, She having been
born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet
four and one eighth inches in height of dark complexion, has a Scar on
her left arm and a small mark on the left side of her chin, her Ears have
been pierced, and She has no other visible mark or Scar, She is now about
thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid
In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my name and
E. S. Jaffix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this seventeenth
Day of August Anno Domini 1858
Elin Woolford Clerk
(Grace J. Corington SW.)

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me
the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland
by a woman of Color named Milly Pitts for a Certificate of her freedom according
to law, I do therefore hereby Certify, that it has been proved to my Satisfaction
that the Said Milly Pitts is entitled to her freedom, She having been born of
a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; She is four feet eleven inches
and a half inch in height, of yellow complexion, has high cheek bones, has a
small Scar on the right side of her chin, has a Scar near the top of her head
has a vaccine mark on her right arm, and has no other visible mark or Scar;
She is now about twenty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my hand and
E. S. Jaffix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day
of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight
Thomas Newman Sworn
Elin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Sally Pitts for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said Sally Pitts is entitled to her freedom she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, she is four feet eleven inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has a small ~~scar~~ Scar over her left eye, has a vaccine mark on her right arm and has no other visible marks or scars; she is now about twenty five years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of
A. D. 1858 August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight
Thomas Newman Esq. 

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Pleasant Ballard for a Certificate of her freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said Negro Pleasant is entitled to her freedom she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet seven and a half inches in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on the palm of her right hand a scar or mark on her right wrist, a mark on her left arm below the elbow, her ears have been pinned and she has no other visible marks or scars, she is now about thirty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth
day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight

(John Smith Esq.)

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Color named Milly Polk for a Certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said negro Milly Polk is entitled to her freedom, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet and a three quarters inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a black spot on the end of her nose, has a Scar at the bottom of the forefinger of her left hand and has no other visible marks or Scars; she is now about twenty eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of August Anno Domini 1858

Robert H. King Sw^r

Willis Booleford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Delia Water, for a Certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said negro Delia is free, she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet three and a quarter inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion, has high Cheek bones has a Small Scar on her right arm below the Elbow & a Vaccined Scar on her left arm above the Elbow; has Scars from repeated bleedings in each arm, and has no other visible marks or Scars; she is now about forty five years and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty Eight

Jam. Dwyer }
Pet. W. Daniel } Sw^r

Willis Booleford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Julia Anne Water, for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Negro Julia Ann is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet three and three quarters inches in height of black complexion, has very high cheek bones, has a Scar on her left elbow and a Vaccined Scar on her right arm, her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars.

She is now about forty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

J. S.

Will Wolford Clerk

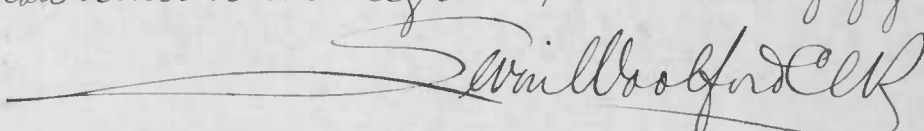
James Dwyer }
Peter McDaniel } Sworn

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color calling himself Henry Water, for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Negro Henry is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet four inches in height of dark Chisumb complexion, has large nose, has a Scar on the upper joint of his right forefinger, has a small round Scar on his left arm and a round mark on the lower side of the left arm above his elbow and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about forty eight years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

J. S. }
James Dwyer }
Peter McDaniel } Sworn

Will Wolford Clerk

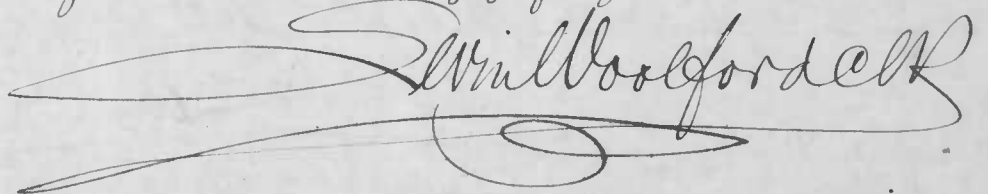
Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Elizabeth Roberts for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said Negro Elizabeth is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, She is four feet eleven inches and a quarter in height, of dark Complexion, has lost one joint of the left fore finger, has a Scar on her left arm, a Scar on her right wrist a Scar on the back part of her head and has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

In testimony whereof I have herewith subscribed my name
Q. S. } and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day
of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight
Elijah Powell Secy.  Will Woodford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Mary Hensy for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said Negro Mary is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet four inches in height of dark Complexion, has a Scar on her left hand, a Small Scar under her right eye and a Scar in the middle of her forehead just between her two eyes has a Scar on her right arm and has no other visible marks or scars, she is now about thirty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid, In testimony whereof I

herewith subscribe my name and affix the seal of the
Q. S. } said Circuit Court this Eighth day of September Anno
Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight

Peter McDaniel Secy.

 Will Woodford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Henrietta Sokey for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify, that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said negro Henrietta is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is four feet ten and a quarter inches in height of yellow complexion, has a small excrescence on her right wrist, has black spots, or freckles in her face and has no other marks or scars; she is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I herunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the

John B. Melvin Sworn

Wm Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Henry Jarvis for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Henry is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet three inches in height of Chesnut complexion, has a ball at the bottom of her left ear, has two scars on the upper part of her right arm, a scar on the right side of her breast and a scar on her left arm and has no other visible marks, except a small mole on the right side of her chin. She is now about fifty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

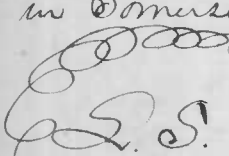
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George Anna Sworn

In testimony whereof I herunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty Eight

Wm Woolford Clerk


State of Maryland Somerset County to wit; Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid, by a man of Color named Jack or John Brattan, & do hereby for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears by a deed of Manumission from a certain Lemuel Bush Brattan bearing date the Sixteenth day of August in the year of our Lord 1858 and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid, ^{and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of this County} that the said Negro John is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet two inches in height, of dark Chesnut Complexion, thin visage, has a Scar on the bottom of his left wrist, a Scar on his left elbow, has a Scar on his right foot, a Scar on his right Shin, and has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about forty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have hereunto


 subscribed my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court
 this thirteenth day of September Anno Domini Eighteen
 hundred and fifty eight ~

Seth B. Dashiell 5100 Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid, by a woman of Color named Cressina Ballard for a certificate of her freedom according to law — I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony under oath that the said Cressina Ballard is free she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet six and a quarter inches in height of light Chesnut Complexion of pleasant Countenance has a scar on the left hand on the thumb and a scar on the right hand near the wrist has a scar on third finger of the left hand near the nail & a vaccine scar on her left arm & she has no other visible marks or scars ~ She is now about thirty one years of age & was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty third day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred & fifty eight 1858.


Levin Woolford CLK

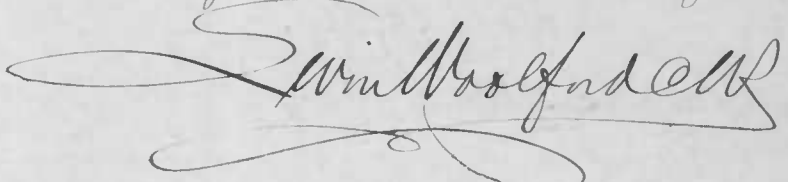
James Dryden & Peter McDaniel } Sworn

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been ^{made} to the
Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man
of color named Ephraim Horsey for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do
therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said
Ephraim Horsey is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the
County aforesaid - He is four feet eleven inches in height of light Chesnut
Complexion, has wide nostrils, high cheek bones, dish faced, has a scar over his
left eye, has a large scar on his right leg just below the knee, has a scar
in his left groin and a scar on his left thigh, his ears have been pierced and he
has no other visible marks or scars - He is now about forty years old by ap-
pearance and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof
I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit
Court this 9th day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and fifty eight -
George Ballard of said County Witness }
Will Woolford Clerk

Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Sub-
scribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by
a woman of color named Anna Plantw for a certificate of her freedom according
to law - I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
that the said Anna Plantw is free, she having been born of a free woman of
color of the County aforesaid; she is five feet one and a quarter inches in
height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on her right cheek, has two black
spots under her left eye and has no other visible marks or scars -
She is now by appearance about fifty eight years of age and was born and raised
in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the Seal of the said Court this fifteenth day
of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight
Levin Handyly Witness }
Will Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Betsy Waters for a Certificate of her freedom according to law - I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the Said negro Betsy Waters is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid - She is five feet and three quarters of an inch in height, of Chesnut Complexion, has a Scar on her left fore finger, a Scar on the left side of her nose, her face is flat, nostrils large, her Ears have been pierced & She has no other visible Marks or Scars; She is now about twenty six years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this thirtieth day of

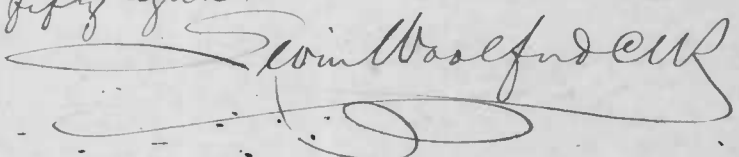
C. S. } November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty eight

Francis H. Ballard Witness Etc. 

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a woman of color named Maria Waters for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the Said Maria Waters is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid - She is five feet one and a quarter inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has a Scar across the bottom of her chin, her Ears have been pierced & She has no other visible Marks or Scars - She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said

C. S. } Circuit Court this thirtieth day of November Anno Domini

C. S. } Eighteen hundred and fifty eight -

Francis H. Ballard Witness Etc. 

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named Henry Pollitt for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said negro Henry Pollitt is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid.

He is five feet nine inches in height of dark Chesnut complexion, has high forehead, has a Scar of considerable Size on the left Side of his neck, a scar on the calf of his right leg and has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about forty four years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal

E. S. } of the said Court this Eighteenth day of January Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

Levin P. Bosland Sworn.

Wm Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Solomon Price for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony on oath, that the said Solomon is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet seven and a half inches in height, of Chesnut complexion, has a small Scar on his left wrist, a small Scar on his left elbow, a Scar on the little finger of his right hand and has no other visible marks or Scars; he is now about thirty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

E. S. } In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this nineteenth
day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty
nine.

Joshua Johnson Sworn.

Wm Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named George Clarke for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said George Clarke is free he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a Scar on the inside of his left arm just below his Elbow, a Scar on his left fore finger and has no other Visible mark or Scar; He is now about twenty one year of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court, this twenty fourth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

E. S. }
Saml. W. Long Esq. Witness
Edwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County ^{in Maryland} by a man of Color named Thomas Elzy for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by testimony upon oath that the said Thomas Elzy is free he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet, nine and a half inches in height, of yellow Complexion, has a large mole on the right Side of his Stomach, has very large joints at the bottom of his thumb, a Small Spot over his left eye and has no other Visible mark or Scar; He is now about thirty three year of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

E. S. }
Wm. J. L. Milling Sr. Witness
Edwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Elzy for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said John Elzy is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight and a half inches in height of dark Chesnut Complexion, has a large scar on the calf of his right leg and several large scars on his right Shin, a Scar on his left Shoulder and has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine

Wm. J. Willing Sr. Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Edward Hall for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Edward Hall is free, He having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet four and three quarters inches in height of very dark Complexion, has a large scar on his right arm just above the elbow and several large scars on the right leg just below the knee and is badly marked from having the small Pox seven or eight years ago and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this seventh day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine 1859

Subman White sworn }
Sevin Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a woman of color named Eliza Ann Gould
for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify
that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Eliza Ann Gould is free
^{she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid}
she is four feet nine and an half inches in height, of dark complexion
has a scar below the right eye and a small scar on the back of the
left hand and has no other visible marks or scars she is now
about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Som-
erset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said
Circuit Court this seventeenth day of February Anno
Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine 1859
Levin Woolford CLK

E. S. D.

Henry P. White (Witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made
to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland
by a man of color named Charles Curtis for a Certificate of his freedom ac-
cording to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
that the said Charles is free, he having been born of a free woman of color
of the County aforesaid; He is five feet seven inches in height of dark
Complexion, has a Scar on the bottom of his right Ear, a Scar on his right
arm about the Elbow, a Small Scar on his right wrist, a Scar over his left eye,
Several Small Scars on his right hand & has no other visible marks or scars -
He is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in
Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Court
this twenty fourth day of February Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and fifty nine
Levin Woolford CLK.
Joseph G. Park (Witness)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named John Henry Quinton for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said John Henry Quinton is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet five and a half inches in height of Chestnut complexion has three moles on the left side of his neck and has no other visible marks or scars He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty sixth day of April. Anno Domini Eight hundred and fifty Nine

Joshua M. Phillips shff. sworn }

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named John Henry Duffey for a certificate of his freedom according to Law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony upon oath that the said John Henry Duffey is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet nine inches in height, of dark Chestnut complexion has a scar on the inside of ^{the} right leg and the calf bone on the instep of the right foot and has no other visible marks or scars He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the ^{said} Circuit Court for Somerset County this eighth day of May Anno Domini Eight hundred

and fifty Nine
Benjamin D. Woolford Jr. sworn }

Levin Woolford CLK

Dues

Salisbury January 7th 1862

Sir you will please to know that Henry Dulaney in favour of the Anderson Heirs brought suit against Susan Horsey but was not decided until after said Dulaney death when a compromise was made & the money was placed in William Greeny Hands to pay off the Heirs but as I was not in the State I never knew it until very recently I applied to Josephus Humphries Executor of Wm Greeny and he demand your certificate my Heirship by blood. Mine is thus Henry Anderson one of the original Heirs of said property Had only two children namely Leah Anderson (now Brimington) and Marcellus Anderson; said Leah has received her portion said Marcellus died before receiving his part leaving only two children Catharine and Henry Anderson and I said Catharine Anderson (now Lucas, being married) makes demand for her part therefore you will according to the above statement please to send a certificate in Whomever name is proper & as I shall be compelled to leave town address your letter with charges for searching Record to 13 S Gillis Salisbury Box 23 and he will remit to you the money &c

Respectfully yours

Catharine Lucas

N 13 Please give Explanation Late Anderson if any meaning you will very much oblige you
Respectfully
C Lucas

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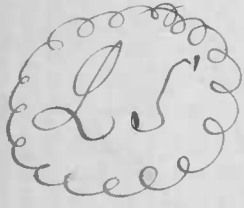
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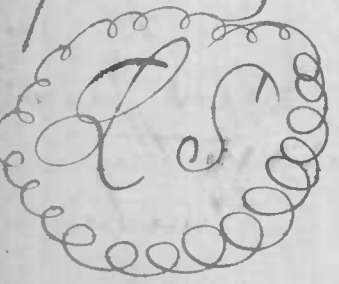
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State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named
Augustus Horry for a certificate of his freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
by competent testimony under oath that the said Augustus Horry is
free He having been born of a free woman of color of the County
aforesaid He is five feet nine inches in height of black complexion
has a scar on the right leg ~~below the knee~~ a scar on the left ankle &
scar on the left thumb and has no other visible marks or scars
He is now about twenty one years of age and was born
and raised in Somerset County aforesaid In testimony
whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty
eighth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hun
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Emory Pollitt Junr,
Lwin Woolford CLK

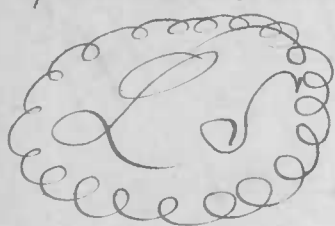
State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named
Mary Ann Evans for a certificate of her freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
by competent testimony under oath that the said Mary Ann Evans is
free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County
aforesaid she is four feet nine inches in height of dark Chestnut
complexion, has a scar on the left shoulder and two scars on her
right hip, her ears have been pierced, ^{she has no other visible marks or scars} she is now about twenty
six years of age & was born and raised in Somerset County
aforesaid In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit
Court this thirteenth day of June Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and fifty nine



Charles L. Marshall Junr,
Lwin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County, in Maryland, by a man of Color named
Henry Asbury Wallace for a certificate of his freedom according
to Law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my
satisfaction by Confident testimony under oath that the said
Henry Asbury Wallace is free, He having been born of
a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid, he is five
feet eight inches in height, of dark Chestnut complexion,
has high forehead, has a scar on his left little finger, has
large Crooked Knuckles, has a scar under his right eye, a
small scar on the top of his right hand, and has no other visible
marks or scars, He is now about twenty five years ~~old~~
of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Cir
cuit Court this fourteenth day of June
Anno Domini Eight hundred and fifty
nine



George W. Howe, Esq.,

Levin Woolford clk

State of Maryland Somerset County, to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County, in Maryland by a man of Color named Charles
Stelling for a certificate of his freedom according to Law, I do therefore
hereby certify that ^{it} has been proved to my satisfaction by Confident
testimony under oath, that the said Charles Stelling is free; He having
been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid, He is
five feet six and three quarters inches in height of dark Chestnut
Complexion has a scar on the top of his right foot and a scar on
the top of his left foot has low forehead and has no other visi
ble marks, or scars; He is now about twenty two years of age
and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit
Court this twenty first day of June Anno
Domini Eight hundred and fifty nine



John B. Stevenson Esq.,

Levin Woolford clk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named
Nancy Turpin for a Certificate of her freedom according to Law
I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satis-
faction by Competent testimony under oath, that the said
Nancy is free she having been born of a free woman of
Color of the County aforesaid, she is five feet one and a half inches
in height of Bk^r Complexion has a scar on her right wrist
a scar on ~~left hand~~ the end of the third finger of the left hand, her
ears have been pierced and ^{she} has no other visible marks or scars
she is now about seventeen years of age and was born and
raised in Somerset County aforesaid In testimony whereof
I hereunto subscribe my name and affix ~~the~~ the
Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty ninth day
of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty
nine



Levin Woolford CLK

Gedney S. Jones Esq. sworn

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been
made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland, by a man of Color named, Solomon Duffy for a Certificate
of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved
to my satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath, that the said
Solomon is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the
County aforesaid; he is five feet seven inches in height of Chesnut Complexion
has a Scar on the Calf of his left leg, a Scar on his ^{left} knee, a
Small Scar over his right eye, his ears have been pierced, and he has
no other Visible Mark or Scar, he is now about twenty six years of
age, and was raised & born in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the Seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid, this tenth day
of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine

Renell Hayman }
Witness Sworn }

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named William Gale for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said William Gale is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County; ^{aforsaid} he is five feet seven and three quarter inches in height, of chestnut complexion, has a scar on his right thigh, a small scar over the right eye, high forehead, ^{flat nose} pleasant countenance. he is slightly bald, has no other visible marks or scars, he is now about thirty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this eleventh day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine

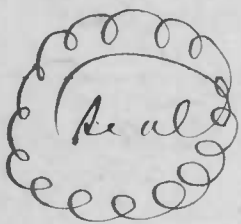
George W. Twilley
Witness sworn

L. M. Woolford Clk.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Elijah for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission dated this day and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County from William Coulbourn of John to the said Elijah and from satisfactory proof of his identity produced before me that the said negro Elijah is entitled to his freedom, he is five feet eight and a half inches in height, of chestnut complexion, flat nose, has a scar on front of his left ankle a scar on his left wrist has no other visible marks or scars, he is about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this first day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine

L. M. Woolford Clk.



State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Jeremiah Wallace for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission dated this day and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County from Arnold Wallace to the said Jeremiah Wallace and from satisfactory proof of his identity produced before me that the said Jeremiah is entitled to his freedom He is five feet four and a half inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion has several large scars on the left knee a scar on his right thigh has high forehead and pleasant Countenance has no other visible marks or scars He is about forty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Said Circuit Court this first day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine
Erin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a woman of Color named Rozetta Wright for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Rozetta is free, she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet, six inches and a half in height, of Chestnut Complexion, has a scar behind her right ear, a scar on her right elbow & two small scars on her left elbow, her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In Witness

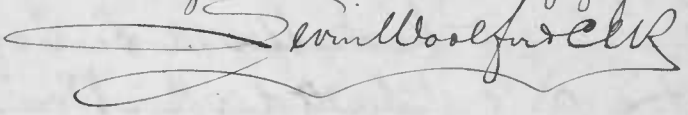
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whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid, this twenty ^{fourth} ~~fifth~~ day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

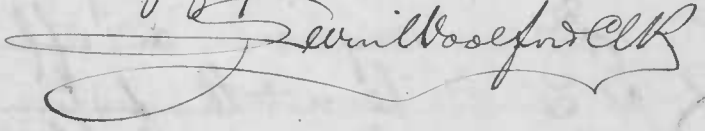
Erin L. Smith Witness Sworn

Erin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Mary Catherine Wallace for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Mary Catherine is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; She is five feet seven and three quarters inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, shows her gums very much in talking, has a remarkable protuberance on the inside of each elbow joint, her Ears have been pinned and she has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about twenty one year of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

E. S. } In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eleventh day of
October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine
William Walter Witness Sworn } 

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Mary Grace White for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony under oaths that the said Mary Grace White is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is five feet in height of dark Chesnut Complexion has a large Scar on the back of her neck, has a black mole on her right arm near the elbow and has no other visible marks or scars
She is now about twenty one year of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

E. S. } In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighth
day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and fifty nine
Sewell P. Bowland Witness Sworn } 

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Anne Stewart for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission from a certain Isaac Stewart to the said Anne Stewart dated the Twentieth day of March in the year four Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County aforesaid and by satisfactory proof of her identity produced before me, that the said Anne Stewart is entitled to her freedom; She is five feet three inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has a scar on her forehead, has very thick lips and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about forty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty sixth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine

William M. Mice Esq. Writing

Sevin Woolford CLK

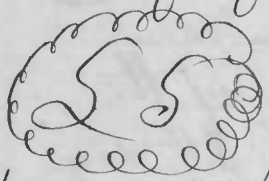
State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Charles Henry Morris for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Charles Henry Morris is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet four inches in height of Chesnut Complexion has a scar on the left foot near the big toe and a scar on the left arm and has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Fifty

Sevin Woolford CLK

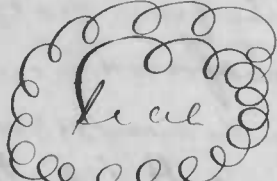
Wm. B. Birchhead Esq. Writing

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, in Maryland by a man of color named John Henry Barkly ~~alias Jones~~ for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proven to my satisfaction by competent testimony, under oath that the said John Henry Barkly is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet two inches in height, of dark chestnut complexion, has a scar on the right knee, a scar on the top of the left foot a scar on the wrist of the left hand, a scar on the left side of his ^{face} near the nose and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



Henry P. White Swan }
Sevin Wolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas, application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, in Maryland, by a man of color named Henry Landing for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proven to my satisfaction by competent testimony, under oath that the said Henry Landing is free: He having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet ten inches in height of chestnut complexion, has a scar on the right foot, a scar on the right wrist and a pleasant countenance and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about twenty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the ^{said} Circuit Court this eleventh day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



Robt H. Corbin Swan }
Sevin Wolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County, Del:

Whereas application has been made to me the
subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in
Maryland by a man of Color named John Waters for a
certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore
hereby certify that it is proved to my satisfaction by compe-
tent testimony under oath that the said John Waters is
free: he having been born of a free woman of Color of the
County and State aforesaid. He is five feet six inches in
height of dark Chestnut Complexion has a small mole
on his breast and has no other visible marks or scars
He is now about twenty two years of age and was
born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I here to subscribe
my name and affix the Seal of the
said Circuit Court this twenty eighth day
of February Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and Sixty

Littleton Harris sworn }

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has
been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a man of Color named Samuel Elzy for a
Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify
that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Samuel
Elzy is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County
aforesaid; he is six feet one and three quarters inches in height of
dark Complexion, has a Scar of large size on the middle of his breast,
a Scar on his left wrist, a Scar on his right fore finger and has
no other visible marks or scars; He is now about thirty five years
of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixth
day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and Sixty

Mrs J L Milling sworn }

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, Set: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Jesse Nutter for ^{his} certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said Jesse Nutter is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, He is five feet eleven inches in height of light Chesnut Complexion, has a scar ^{on} the top of his right hand, a scar on his right ankle, holes in his ears and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Levin Woolford Clerk

M. J. L. Milling Sworn }
}

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas Application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Gabriel Nutter for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Gabriel Nutter is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: he is five feet eleven and a half inches in height of yellow Complexion, has a large lumps on his left arm about the Elbow pricked with indian ink with anchor, heart, & the letters G. N. on left arm Star & M. E. on right arm, ^{his} ears have been pierced and has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about thirty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

Seal


In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this sixth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Levin Woolford Clerk

M. J. L. Milling Sworn }
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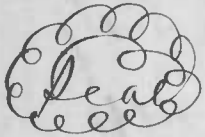
Mrs Maria Evans

Whereas application has been made to the subscriber Clerk of the Peace for ^{in Mansfield} John Coffey a woman of color
named Maria Evans for a Certificate of her freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby
Certify, that it appears by a Judgment of the Circuit Court for Somerset County rendered on the tenth day
of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty Seven in favour of negro Maria
against Owen Bradshaw and by satisfactory evidence produced before me of her identity, that the
said Maria Evans is entitled to her freedom - She is five feet two inches in height of Chesnut
Complexion, has two scars on her right Shoulder a small scar on her right thumb
and has no other visible marks or scars - She is now about thirty nine years of
age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I


(David Tyler Brown)

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color named Marcellus
Nutter for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do
therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
that the said Marcellus Nutter is free, he having been born of
a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, he is five
feet nine inches in height, of Chestnut complexion has two
pock marks over right eye, one pock mark on corner of
left eye, one pock mark on left cheek his Ears have been
pierced and has no other visible marks or scars. He is
now about thirty two years of age and was born
and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court
this sixth day of March Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and Sixty



M^{rs} J. L. Milling Secy

Levin Wolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a man of color named Noah Ballard
for a Certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore
hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that
the said Noah Ballard is free, he having been born of a free
woman of color of the County aforesaid, he is five feet
seven inches in height of dark complexion, has a scar on
his left temple, a scar at the bottom of his left cheek bone
and a small scar ^{over his} right eye his ears have been pierced
and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about
thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somer-
set County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I here-
unto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the
said Circuit Court this sixth day of March
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



M^{rs} J. L. Milling Secy

Levin Wolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has this day been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Henry Robertson for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath, that the said Henry Robertson is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, low forehead, has a Scar of Considerable size on his left Shin, several small Scars on his right hand & had no other visible marks or Scars; He is now about twenty two years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twentieth day of March Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred and Sixty

(Wm. H. Neasey Sr. Wm.)

Wm. Woolford Clk

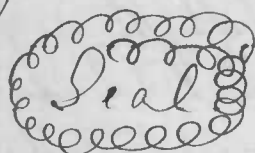
State of Maryland Somerset County To: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named James White for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Charlotte White to said James dated 20th December 1854 & Recorded among the Records of Somerset County in Liber L. M. No 3 folio 325 & also by deed of Manumission executed by Lewis H. Jaring trustee, to said James dated 2nd January 1860 now on file among said Records that the said James White is free, he is five feet seven and three quarters inches in height of light skin & complexion has a dark scar on the right hand above the thumb near the wrist his ears have been pierced has a pleasant Countenance & has no other visible marks or scars he is about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 2nd day of May Anno Domini 1860

L. J. H. Jaring Metrop

Wm. Woolford Clk

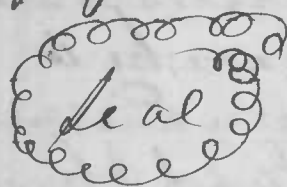
State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset
County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Emeline Parker for
a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify,
that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under
oath that the said Emeline Parker is free she having been born of a
free woman of Color of the County aforesaid, she is four feet
Eleven and a half inches in height of dark chestnut complexion
has a scar on the left ankle bone, her ears have been pierced
and has no other visible marks or scars, she is now about thirty
five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County
aforesaid



John Belvoir Sworn

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court
this Eighth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and sixty
Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been made
to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland by a woman of Color named Delia Ann Stevens
for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore
hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by
competent testimony under oath, that the said Delia Ann
Stevens is free, she having been born of a free woman of color
of the County aforesaid, she is four feet Eleven and a half inches
in height of black complexion has a scar on her left leg, a
scar on her breast her ears have been pierced and has no
other visible marks or scars she is now about forty years
of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

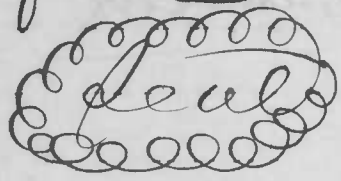


John Belvoir Sworn

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit
Court this Eighth day of May Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and sixty

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, &c: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Haste for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by James E. B. Hopkins on the tenth day of November ~~Anno Domini~~ 1854 and duly recorded among the Land Records of Somerset County in Liber E. M. No 3 ^{4 also of his identity on oath} folio 279 that the said Haste is free: He is five feet six and a half inches in height of bright Chestnut Complexion has a vaccine scar on his left arm and a scar on his left jaw a scar over his forehead, ^{blind in} his left eye, pleasant countenance, has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about fifty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this Eleventh day of May Anno Domini Eight hundred and Sixty



Robert M. Dougherty Secy

Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color calling himself Stephen Whittington for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify, that it appears from a deed of manumission to the said Stephen from Settleton Whittington, Aley Whittington, Thomas Miley, John Lambourn, William Lambourn of John, Benjamin Steward, John S. Ward, Isaac W. Cullen, Lorenzo D. Lawson, J. B. Steward, James Lawson, Nath. M. Lawson, William H. Roach and Rozey Taylor of record in the office of the Clerk aforesaid, and by satisfactory evidence of his identity produced before me under oath, that the said Stephen is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet seven inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion, has high Cheek bones, a large scar on his left elbow, a black mole on his right ankle a scar on his left fore finger and has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about forty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof

J. B. Steward Secy

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of May Anno Domini 1860

Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to-wit: Whereas application has this day been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Gilpha Maddox for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Gilpha is free, she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid, she is four feet eleven ^{and a half} inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, flat nose, has a small Scar on the top of her right hand a Scar on the inside of her right wrist, has a vaccine mark on her left arm, her Ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or Scars; She is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court for Somerset County this sixteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Wm Sally E. Wilson Witness

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to-wit: Whereas application has this day been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named David Bailey for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Confident testimony under oath that the said David Bailey is free he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet four and one quarter inches in height of black Complexion, has a scar on his right leg, a scar on his left foot across his toes, a scar on his right hand his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or Scars He is now about forty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this sixteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



Jonathan Huffington Secy

Levin Woolford Clerk

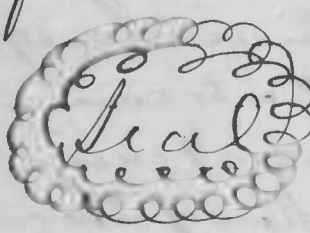
State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color calling himself George Washington White for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said George is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet five and a half inches in height of light Chestnut Complexion, has a large scar over his left eye, a scar immediately below his right knee, a scar on his right great toe, his nose is thin and sharp and he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eighteenth day of ^{July} ~~June~~ in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty

E. S. D. }
 Edwin Woolford Clerk

Edwin Water, Witness

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, ^{in Maryland} by a man of color named Thomas M. P. Rider for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Thomas M. P. Rider is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet nine and one half inches in height of light Chestnut Complexion has a scar on his right Elbow a scar on his left thumb, a scar on his left leg and he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty second day of May Anno Domini Eight hundred and Sixty

H. C. L. Morris Sworn }
 Edwin Woolford Clerk

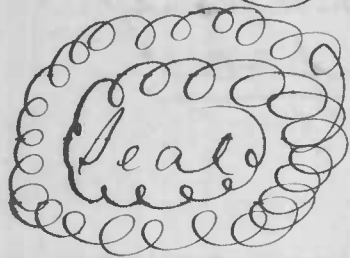


State of Maryland Somerset County Jct. Whereas application has this day been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Samuel Johnson for a certificate of his freedom according to Law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Adam Johnson on the 23 day of November Anno Domini 1847 and recorded in Liber N. P. No 2 folio 341 ^{by testimony given by the said Samuel Johnson} that the said Samuel Johnson is free. He is five feet two and one quarter inches in height, of dark complexion, has a scar in his forehead, a scar in the right groin, a scar on the left leg, and he has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about thirty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 22 day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Leven Woolford Clerk

Wm. C. Coulbourn I wrote Identity



State of Maryland Somerset County Jct. Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Chloe Maddox for a certificate of her freedom according to Law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Chloe is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid she is five feet three and one quarter inches in height of dark chestnut complexion has a scar about an inch ~~or~~ half long on her right arm at the Elbow a scar on her left hand a small black spot under upper lip near the nose her ears have been pierced & she has no other visible marks or scars she is now about thirty seven years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Leven Woolford Clerk



Wm. Sully & Wilson
Sidney S. Jones

Witnesses

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color calling himself Job Nelson for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission from Thomas Nelson to the said Job Nelson dated the eleventh day of January 1850 and duly recorded in my office, and by Satisfactory evidence of his identity produced before me under oath, that the said Job Nelson is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet five and a quarter inches in height, of black Complexion, has a Scar on his right great toe, a Scar on his under lip a small Scar in the middle of his breast, has large nostrils & has no other visible marks or Scars ~ He is now about fifty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~ In testimony whereof

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said
C. S. D. } Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of May in the year of
our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty ~
Sevin Woolford CLK

Hance Lawson Witness Sworn

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Grace for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission to said Grace from Abraham Somer dated the third day of August 1833 and by Satisfactory evidence of her identity produced before me under oath, that the said Negress Grace is entitled to her freedom; The said deed of Manumission is duly recorded among the Records of Somerset County aforesaid, said Grace is five feet two inches in height of Chestnut Complexion, has blunt nose, large protruding nostrils, has a Scar on her left great toe, has a black spot on the white of her right eye and has no other visible marks or Scars; She is now about fifty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid ~ In witness whereof I hereunto

subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said
C. S. D. } Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of May Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and Sixty ~
Sevin Woolford CLK

Hance Lawson Sworn

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State of Maryland, Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Jane Moore for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been made manifest by reference to a deed of Manumission of record in my office, from Thomas Moore to the said Jane and by Satisfactory evidence under oath produced before me of her identity that the said negro Jane is entitled to her freedom; She is five feet six inches in height, of Chestnut Complexion, long thin nose, has five small black specks on her forehead, a Scar on the top of her right foot and has no other visible mark or Scar; She is now about thirty seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I

E. S. } hereunto Subscribes my name and affix the seal of the said
Circuit Court this 25th day of May Anno Domini 1860

Sevin Woolford CLK

Capt Wm Sterling Swr

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas, application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Kalim Smith for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission from Abraham Somers to said Kalim dated the twentieth day of June 1839 and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County and from Satisfactory evidence produced before me under oath of his identity that the said negro Kalim is free; He is five feet eight inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion, has flat nose, large nostrils, a small Scar near the middle of his forehead, a Scar on his right leg, has a hump on the bottom of each of his ears and has no other visible mark or Scar. He is now about twenty six years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

E. S. } In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribes my name
and affix the seal of the said Court this 25th day of
May Anno Domini 1860

Sevin Woolford CLK

(Mance Lawson Swr)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Isaac for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission from Thomas Moore to the said Isaac duly recorded among the Records of Somerset County dated the sixth day of February 1841 and by Satisfactory evidence of his identity that the said Negro Isaac is free; He is five feet seven and a quarter inches in height of black complexion, has a black mole on the inside of his left arm above the elbow, a Scar on his right arm at the elbow and a small black mark near it, has blue tips to his gums and has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about forty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In Witness

Whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the
S.S. } Seal of the said Court this twenty fifth day of May Anno
} Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Wm Woolford CLK

Capt Wm Sterling Swain

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color calling himself Freeborn Elzey for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said Freeborn is free he having been born of a free woman of color of Peter County aforesaid, he is five feet five and a quarter inches in height, of dark Chestnut complexion, has a Scar on his left foot, a small black mole under his right eye, a small Scar ^{at} the top of his nose on his forehead, and has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about thirty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In Witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
S.S. } the Seal of the said Court this twenty fifth day of May Anno
} Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Wm Woolford CLK

Sidney S. Jones Witness }

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Isaac Kottman for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that said Negro Isaac is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet Eight and a half inches in height of Chesnut Complexion, has gray yellowish eyes, has a Scar on his right Cheek bone, has a Scar on his right Knee, a Scar below his left forefinger, a pock mark on the right side of his nose and has no other visible Marks or Scars.

He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto
C. S. } Subscribes my name and affix the seal of the said Court
this twenty ninth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and Sixty.

Solomon Full Sworn

Sevin Woolford CLK

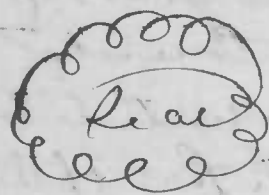
Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color calling himself Henry Collins for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by testimony under oath that the said Negro Henry is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet Six and a quarter inches in height of dark Complexion, has a Scar on his left Knee, a Scar on his left Cheek under his left eye and has no other visible Marks or Scars. He is now about thirty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Subscribes my name and
C. S. } affix the seal of the said Court this 29th day of May Anno
Domini 1866.

George W. Full Sworn

Sevin Woolford CLK

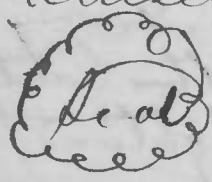
State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named
Levin for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore
hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission executed
by Isaac Johnson on the 21st day of July 1829 and by satisfac-
tory evidence now oath to his identity that the said Levin
is free. He is five feet four and a half inches in height of dark
Chesnut complexion has a scar on the back of his right hand
a scar on his left knee, ^{the} has no other visible marks or scars
He is now about thirty three years of age and was born
and raised in Somerset County aforesaid and in testimony
whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix the seal of the said Court this twentieth
ninth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and sixty



Thos. Allardyce sworn to Identity

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has
been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named
Marcellus Kane for a certificate of his freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my
satisfaction under oath that the said Marcellus Kane is free
he having been born of a free woman of color of the County
aforesaid He is five feet six and a half inches in height of
Yellow complexion has a scar on his right thumb a scar
on the right side of his head near his right temple a scar on
his left shin ^{he} has no other visible marks or scars He
is now about twenty six years of age and was born and
raised in Somerset County aforesaid and in testimony whereof
I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal
of the said Court this twentieth day of May
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty



Wm. Coulbourn sworn

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County, etc: Whereas application has been made to me the undersigned, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Margaret Mills for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Margaret Mills is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid, she is five feet five and three quarters inches in height of dark Chestnut complexion has a large scar on her right wrist a small scar over her right eye her ears have been pierced and she has no other visible marks or scars, she is now about nineteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twentieth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty

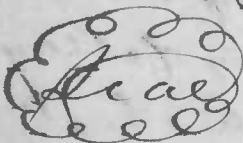


Levin H. Goring
Alfred Whitney

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, etc: Whereas application has been made to me the undersigned, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Selby Horsey for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Selby Horsey is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid He is five feet six and a quarter inches in height of dark Chestnut complexion has a large scar on the calf of his right leg, a scar on his left wrist a scar on his upper lip a scar near his left eye his ears have been pierced he has no other visible marks or scars, he is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court this twentieth ninth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty



Charles C. Green Esq

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named
Anne Williams for a certificate of her freedom according to law
I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
by competent testimony under oath that the said Anne Williams
is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the
County aforesaid; she is five feet three and a half inches in height
of dark complexion has high cheek bones, has a scar on her
chin a scar on her left wrist and she has no other visi-
ble marks or scars she is now about forty years of
age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said
Court this twenty ninth day of May
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty

Chas C Green swn

Levin Woolford clk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been
made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
in Maryland by a woman of color named Sarah Jane Kinney for
a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby
certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent
testimony under oath that this said Sarah Jane Kinney is free
she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid;
she is five feet one and a half inches in height of dusky
complexion, has a scar on the top of her right hand, her forefinger
of her right hand has been contracted at the end by an abscess, has
a scar or mark on the joint of the second finger of her left hand
and she has no other visible marks or scars she is now about
eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset
County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said
Court this thirtieth day of May Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and sixty

Subman White swn

Levin Woolford clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color (named Henry Jones) for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by testimony under oath that the said Henry Jones is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet Eight and a quarter inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a Scar on the Second finger of his left hand and the finger is contracted at the end, has three large Scars on his right arm, a Scar over his right eye his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or Scars.

He is now about twenty eight years old and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this thirteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

E. S. }
Levin Woolford CLK

Francis M. Hillborn Secy

State of Maryland Somerset County, To wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Nancy Hall for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by Confident testimony under oath that the said Nancy Hall is free she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid she is 5 feet and one inch in height of black Complexion has a scar on her right elbow a scar on her right arm, and she has no other visible marks or scars, she is now about forty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this thirteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Seal }
Levin Woolford CLK

Subman White Secy }

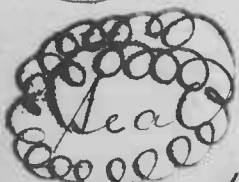
State of Maryland Somerset County, Set: Whereas application has ~~the day~~ been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, by a man of Color named Levin Jones for a certificate of his freedom according to Law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Levin Jones is free: He having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet eleven and a quarter inches in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a scar on his left ankle, a large and very notable scar across his breast has high forehead and ^{he} has no other visible marks or scars. He is now about forty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this thirty first day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



Alexander S. Jones Secy

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County, Set: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Anne Dennis for a certificate of her freedom according to Law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Anne Dennis is free: she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is four feet nine inches in height of Chestnut Complexion, has a mole on her right shoulder, her ears have been pierced, shows her teeth very much in laughing her under lip is very prominent & she has no other visible marks or scars: She is about forty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this sixth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty



Col. Levin Handy, Secy

Levin Woolford CLK

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland, by a man of color calling himself John Williams for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that said John Williams is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet six and a quarter inches in height of Chestnut Complexion, has a large Scar over his left eye, a Small Scar on the bottom of his right thumb and has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 7th day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty ~

John Bullen Swr

Paid

Wm Woodford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Wherein application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in the State of Maryland by a man of color named Samuel Williams for a Certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Samuel is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet seven inches in height of Chestnut Complexion has his left little finger off at the second joint, a large Scar on the top of his left hand, a Small Scar on his right left knee and one on his left arm and has no other visible marks or Scars.

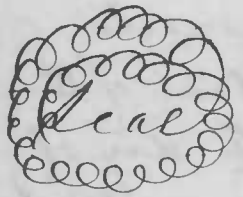
He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court aforesaid this Seventh day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty ~

John Bullen Swr

Paid

Wm Woodford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Delia Dennis for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction, that the said Delia Dennis is free: She having been born of a free woman of color of the County of ~~the said~~ she is four feet nine and a quarter inches in height of Chestnut complexion has a mole on her breast has a vaccine mark on her left arm a scar under her right eye & she has no other visible marks or scars: she is about thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County of ~~the said~~



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court this Eighth day of ~~May~~ ^{June} Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Col. John Handy witness }

Levin Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of color named Ellen E Jones for a certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Ellen E Jones is free, she having been born of a free woman of color of the County of ~~the said~~ she is five feet one inch in height of dark Chestnut complexion, has three vaccine marks on her left arm, has a scar on her right leg, a small scar on her right arm, & she has no other visible marks or scars, she is about twenty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County of ~~the said~~



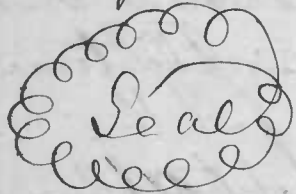
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twelfth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

John Saml. Holbrook Sworn }

Levin Wolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, Set: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, in Maryland by a woman of color named Sarah Barkley for a Certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said Sarah Barkley is free; she having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. She is four feet nine and three quarters inches in height of black complexion has a ^{small} scar on her right ^{hand}, has very small ears — high and round forehead and prominent cheek bones and she has no other visible marks or scars, she is about twenty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twentieth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred



Henry White Sworn } and Sixty Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County Court: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Ephraim Hovey for a Certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby certify that it appears & has been proved to my satisfaction that said negro is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet one and a half inches in height, of dark Chestnut complexion, has a scar on his forehead, a scar over his left eye, a scar on his right wrist and has no other visible marks or scars.

He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe

C. S. D.

my name and affix the seal of the said Court this twenty fourth day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty.

Clement W. Sterling Sworn

Levin Woolford CLK

State of Maryland Somerset County Feb: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named William Cottman for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony under oath that the said William Cottman is free; He having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight inches in height of dark Chestnut complexion has a scar on the top of his right foot, has three scars on his neck, his ears have been pierced, and he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about thirty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fourth day of July Anno Domini Eight hundred and sixty

John B. Melvin Sworn

Levin Woolford Clk

State of Maryland Somerset County Feb: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a ~~man~~ woman of color named Rose for ~~the~~ certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Louis Gibbons on the 29th day of May 1860 to said Rose and of her identity under oath that the said Rose is entitled to her freedom, she is five feet five and a half inches in height of dark Chestnut complexion she has a scar over her right eye her ears have been pierced and she has no other visible marks or scars she is about forty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this Ninth day of August Anno Domini 1860

Louis Gibbons Sworn

Levin Woolford Clk

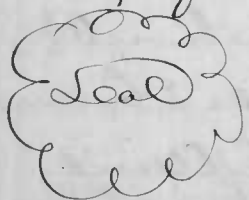
State of Maryland Somerset County, Jct: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Leah Dennis for a certificate of her freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said Leah Dennis is free she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid she is four feet ten inches in height of light chestnut complexion, has three small moles under her left eye, and a small mole on her breast, has a scar on her ^{right} foot, has a vaccine mark on her left arm, her ears have been pierced, and she has no other visible marks or scars she is now about twenty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid



In testimony whereof I herunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty seventh day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty
Wm M. Miller Witness
Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland, Somerset County Jct: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a woman of Colour named Nancy Williams, for a Certificate of her freedom according to law.

I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on Oath that the said Nancy Williams is free, she having been born of a free woman of Colour of Somerset County aforesaid. Her is five feet four inches in height. Her complexion is dark Chestnut - has a scar on her right hand near her wrist, and another on the right side of her neck and shoulder, both caused by burns - and no other visible marks or scars her hair is long and inclined to straightness - her face is oval with rather large eyes - She is now about twenty years of age and was born raised in the County aforesaid



In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 29. day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty.

Levin Woolford Clerk C. Court, S. County.

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County, in Maryland by a man of color named James
Harris for a certificate of his freedom according to law, I do there
fore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
by Competent testimony, under oath that the said James Harris
is free, He having been born of a free woman of color of
the County aforesaid: He is five feet Eight & 1/4 inches in height
of black complexion, has a small scar on the left hip, his
toe on the left foot bent down from the first joint and he has
no other visible marks or scars He is about twenty
one years of age and was born & raised in Somerset County
aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit
Court this second day of October Anno Domini
Eighteen hundred and sixty

Seal

Levin Woolford Clerk Circuit Court Somt. Co.

State of Maryland Somerset County Set: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County, in Maryland by a woman of color
named Hester Anne Bailey, for a certificate of her freedom
according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been
proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony, on
oath that the said Hester Anne Bailey is free: She having
been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid
she is five feet and three quarters inches in height of
dark Chestnut complexion has a scar on her right
arm near the elbow has a flat nose and she has no
other visible marks or scars she is now about twenty
six years of age, and was born & raised in Somerset
County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto
subscribe my name and affix the seal of
the said Circuit Court this nineteenth day
of October Anno Domini Eighteen hun
dred and sixty

Seal

M^{ms} A Bailey Sworn } Levin Woolford Clerk

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State of Maryland, Somerset County to-wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Henry Conlbourn for a Certificate of his freedom according to Law I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Henry Conlbourn is the same person who is named in a deed of Manumission from Betsey Conlbourn to said Henry Conlbourn bearing date the twenty seventh day of February Eighteen hundred and Sixty, and duly recorded among the records of Somerset County, and it appears from said deed of Manumission that the said Henry Conlbourn is entitled to his freedom; He is five feet five inches in height, of Chestnut Complexion, has thin hair, large dimples, has a scar on his left eye, a scar on the right forefinger, a small scar on the top of his left hand, his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about forty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 8th day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Samuel Woolford Clerk

(Jacob Park, Witness)

Paid

State of Maryland, Somerset County to-wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of Color named Rosetta Hardy for a Certificate of her freedom according to Law: I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on oath that the said Rosetta Hardy is free she having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid: She is five feet three and a half inches in height of light Chestnut Complexion has a very large scar on her right arm and three small scars near the same place and has no other visible marks or scars She is now about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Ninth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Seal

Benjamin S. Jones scribe

Samuel Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, Jct: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named Samuel Hardy for a certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony on oath that the said Samuel Hardy is free he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet eight inches in height of dark chesnut complexion his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or scars He is now about thirty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid



In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affixed the seal of the said Circuit Court this Ninth day of November Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty

Benjamin J. Jones Esq

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, Jct: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of color named Isaac Washill for a certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission Executed by Travers Daniel on the 22 day of May 1860 and Recorded among the Records of the said Court in Lib. D. M. 186 folio 563, ^{and of his identity under oath} that the said Isaac Washill is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet eight inches in height of dark complexion has a scar on his right knee his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or scars He is about forty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid



In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of the said Court this ~~the~~ fourteenth day of January Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty One

James T. Daniel sworn to identity

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County, etc: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of Color named Rufus Washell for a certificate of his freedom according to Law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by Competent testimony on oath that the said Rufus Washell is free, he having been born of a free woman of Color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet seven inches in height of very light Chesnut complexion, has a very large scar on the back part of both his legs from the knee joint ~~extending~~ to the Crotch and he has no other visible marks or scars He is about twenty five years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this first day of March Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty one

Lewin Woolford clk

Benjamin S. Jones Sworn }

State of Maryland Somerset County, etc: Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of Color named Arnold Cotton for a certificate of his freedom according to Law I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by William T. Polk on the 28th day of December 1860 and the act of Assembly therein recited that the said Arnold is free: He is four feet ten and a half inches in height of Chestnut complexion, has a scar under the right side of his jaw his ears have been pierced and he has no other visible marks or scars He is now about twenty three years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this eleventh day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty one

Lewin Woolford clk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of color named Saul Cottman for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a Deed of Manumission executed by William J. Polk administrator of Arnold Cottman dated the 28th day of December Anno Domini 1860 and the Act of Assembly therein recited that the said Saul is free: He is five feet and three quarter inches in height of Chestnut Complexion has a Scar under the left jaw, has a scar on the right knee, has a scar on the back of his head and he has no other visible marks or scars: He is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

L. S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eleventh day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty one

Sevin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Sevin Taylor for a Certificate of his freedom according to law: I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction that the said Sevin is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid: He is five feet six and three quarter inches in height, of Chestnut Complexion has a Scar over his right eye, has a Scar on the bottom of his back, has large nostrils and has no other visible marks or scars - He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

L. S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court; this Eleventh day of April Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty one -

Sevin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County within the State of Maryland by a man of color named William James Waters for a certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony that the said William James Waters is free; he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet four inches in height of black complexion has a scar on his left hand his ears have been pierced & he has no other visible marks or scars; He is now about twenty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

L.S.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Circuit Court this fifteenth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and Sixty one

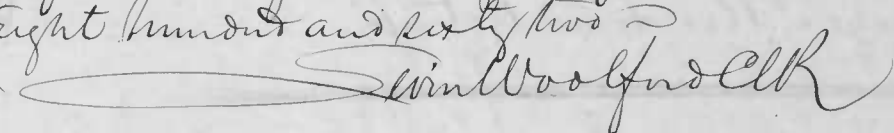
George T. Renshaw witness


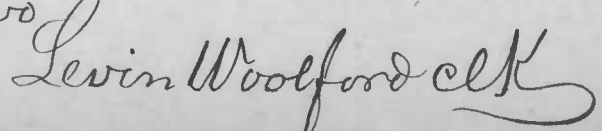
Erwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Caroline James alias Caroline Lankford for a certificate of her freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby certify that it appears from a deed of manumission from a certain Smith Lankford to the said Caroline James, dated the twenty sixth day of November 1846 & by satisfactory evidence produced before me of her identity, that the said Caroline is free, she is five feet one and a half inches in height, of dark complexion, has a scar on the left side of her face near her left ear, a large scar upon the left jaw bone and a number of small scars over her person caused by scrofula, and has no other visible marks or scars. She is now about thirty four years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this second day of December Anno Domini 1861

Smith Lankford witness

Erwin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for
Somerset County by a woman of color named Darkey for a Certificate
of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify, that it
appears from a deed of manumission made by a certain Slave, Daniel
and duly recorded in the Records of Somerset County, dated the twenty
Second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight
hundred and sixty, and by Satisfactory proof of her identity
brought before me, that the said Darkey is entitled to her freedom
She is five feet & half an inch in height, of Chestnut Complexion,
has thick lips, has a large Scar underneath her ^{right} left arm
halfway from the wrist to the Elbow, a large Scar on the right
side of her back, and has no other Visible Marks or Scars
She is now about thirty five years of age, and was born & raised in
Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty
Eighth day of January in the year of our Lord, one
Seal } thousand eight hundred and sixty two
Doct }  Clerk
Nathaniel Evans (Witness Sworn)

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County, by a man of color named John Henry
Jones for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do
therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction
by Competent Testimony under oath that the said John Henry
Jones is free, he having been ^{born} of a free woman of Color of the
County aforesaid, He is five feet four inches in height of black
Complexion, has a large scar on his right knee and a small
scar on his left thumb and has no other visible marks or
scars, he is now about twenty six years of age and was
born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court
this third day of June Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and sixty two
Seal }  Henry P. White Sworn }  Levin Woolford Clerk

Maryland Somerset County to wit; Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a Man of color named Sampson for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission given by ^{Col.} Joseph S. Cottman to the said Sampson and by Satisfactory proof of his identity produced to me, that the said Negro Sampson is entitled to his freedom - He is five feet eight inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion, has thin visage, has a Scar on the inside of his left arm near the Elbow & a Scar on the right ankle, and has no other visible Marks or Scars. He is now about forty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this Eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty two -

E. S. }
Wm Woolford

Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a woman of color named Jane Nutt for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of manumission given by Col. Joseph S. Cottman to the said Jane Nutt and duly recorded among the land records of Somerset County aforesaid, and by Satisfactory evidence of her identity produced before me that the said Jane Nutt is entitled to her freedom - She is five feet one and a half inches in height, of yellow Complexion, has a mole on the top of her nose, and a small Scar on her right arm near the Elbow joint & has no other visible Marks or Scars - She is now about forty one years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid -

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this 25th day of October Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and sixty two -

E. S. }
Wm Woolford

Letter from Col. Cottman

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit:

Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a woman of Color named Emily for a Certificate of her freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission given to said Negro woman Emily by Col. Joseph S. Cottman and by Satisfactory proof of her identity produced before me that said Emily is entitled to her freedom, said deed of Manumission being duly recorded among the Records of Somerset County aforesaid & she is five feet four inches in height, of Chestnut Complexion, has three small moles on her right arm below the elbow, a Scar on the second toe of the left foot & has no other visible marks or Scars, except that she has a good many gray hairs for her age; she is now about Eighteen years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this twenty fifth day of October Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty two -

E. S. }
William Woolford CLK

Letter from Col. Cottman -

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit. Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of Color named Jacob Cottman for a Certificate of his freedom according to law. I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a deed of Manumission executed by Col. Joseph S. Cottman and duly recorded among the Records of Somerset County bearing date the Eighteenth day of May A.D. 1850 & from Satisfactory Evidence produced before me of his identity, that the said Jacob Cottman is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet five inches in height, of light Chestnut Complexion, has an indentation of the Skull over the left Eye which is somewhat injured - he has no other visible marks or Scars; He is now about sixty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court for Somerset County this tenth day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty three

E. S. }
William Woolford CLK

James Buffington Writing -

I hereby certify that Leah Dennis is the
child of Ann Dennis, having known
her for a long time—

W. W. Miller

Memorandum
Arnold Cottonson
& Saul Cottonson

Identified by
C. W. T. Polk

^{Collman}
Arnold " 4 feet 10 1/2 inches of chestnut complexion has a
scar under the right side of his jaw his ears have been pierced and he has
no other visible marks or scars about twenty three years of age & was
born & raised in Soud Co.

^{Collman}
Paul " 5 feet and 3/4 inches of chestnut complexion has a scar
under the left jaw has a scar on the right knee has a scar on
the back of his head and has no other visible marks or scars about 21 yrs
of age and was born and raised in Soud Co.

28th December 1860

Samuel J. Horsey 5 feet 1 1/2 inches, black complexion has
a scar on his right arm 21 yrs of age & was born
& raised in Lowell Mass -

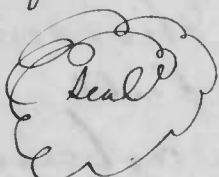
John Henry Jones - Born free 26 years old

Born free woman - 5ft 4 inches high - very black
large scar on right knee - Paid -

small scar on left hand thumb - =

Henry P White Gov.

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Daniel James Fontaine for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said Daniel James Fontaine is entitled to his freedom, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. He is five feet one inch in height, of dark Chestnut Complexion, has a Scar on the inside of his right ankle, has a protuberance of each temple, a small Scar, on the joint of the left fore finger, and has no other visible marks or Scars. He is now about twenty two years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court for Somerset County this Eighth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty three.



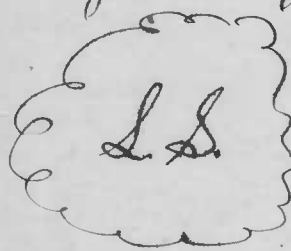
Wm Woodford Clerk

Witness Hezekiah Blake

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the Subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named John Windon for a Certificate of his freedom according to law; I do therefore hereby certify that it has been proved to my satisfaction that the said negro John Windon is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid; He is five feet eight inches in height, of black Complexion, has a Scar on his right arm below his elbow a Scar on the right side of his neck a Scar on his right little toe and has no other visible marks or Scars.

He was born and raised in Somerset County and is now twenty one years of age.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Somerset County aforesaid this 3^d day of July Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty three.



Wm Woodford Clerk

James M. Wilson Sworn

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application
has been made to me the Subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court
for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color
named William Gillip for a Certificate of his freedom
according to law I do therefore hereby Certify that it
has been proved to my satisfaction that the said negro
William Gillip is free he having been born of a free
woman of color of the County aforesaid He is five feet
seven and a half inches in height of light Chestnut Com-
plexion has a large scar on his right leg above the
ankle two small scars on the left leg near the knee
joint a mole on the top of his left shoulder & has no
other visible marks or scars has a broad full
face and a very thick suit of hair He was born
and raised in Somerset County and is now about
forty six years of age - Intestimony whereof
I hereunto subscribe my name and affix
the Seal of the said Circuit Court this
twenty third day of July Anno domini
Eighteen hundred and sixty three



M. Twilley Sworn

Mother of Geo M. Twilley

Levin Woolford clk

Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County Maryland by a man of color named Charles Curtis or Charles Song for a Certificate of his freedom according to law I do therefore hereby Certify that it has been proved to my Satisfaction by Competent testimony under oath, that the said Negro is free, he having been born of a free woman of color of the County aforesaid. Said Charles Curtis, is five feet Seven inches in height of dark or black Complexion, has a piece taken out of the bottom of his right ear, a large Scar on the upper part of the right arm, a small Scar on his right wrist a Scar over his left eye, several small Scars on his right hand and has no other visible marks or Scars. Said Charles is now about thirty Seven years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. Said Charles had a Certificate of freedom granted to him on the twenty fourth day of February 1859 and has this day made oath before me that he has lost the same and is unable to find it, in accordance with the Law of Maryland. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this fifth day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty three

C. S.
John H. Reed Sr.
Jos. G. Beck

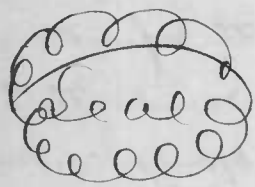
Sever Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit: Whereas application has been made to me the subscribed Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County in Maryland by a man of color named Heler Jones, for a Certificate of his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby Certify that it appears from a bill of sale from Hamilton Webster and Cyrus L. Jones to a certain James H. Pinn dated Seventh (May) 1856 and Records among the Records of Somerset County and from the affidavit of the said James H. Pinn made before me, that the said Negro Heler is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet six inches in height of dark Chestnut Complexion has a Scar on the inside of his right arm opposite his elbow about an inch long, a small Scar on the top of his right arm, a small Scar on his forehead, opposite the top of his nose and has no other visible marks or Scars; He is now about fifty years of age and was born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Circuit Court this fourteenth day of August Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty three

H. S.
Sever Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit,

Whereas application has been made to me the
subscriber Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County
by a man of Color ^{named Samuel J. Horsey} for a certificate of his freedom according
to Law, I do therefore hereby certify, that it has been proved
to my satisfaction by competent testimony, that the said
Samuel J. Horsey is free he having been born free of a
free woman ^{of color} of the County and state aforesaid, said
Samuel J. Horsey is five feet one and a half inches in
height, of black complexion, has scars on his right
arm, and has no other visible marks or scars;
is now about twenty one years of age and was
born and raised in Somerset County aforesaid



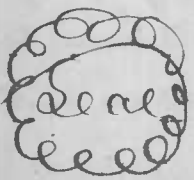
In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe
my name and affix the Seal of the said
Court this first day of October Anno
Domini Eight hundred and sixty three

Nathanial Dixon Jr. Witness

Levin Woolford Clerk

State of Maryland Somerset County to wit

Whereas application has been made to me the subscriber Clerk
of the Circuit Court for Somerset County by a man of Color
named ~~Hiram~~ Hiram Hitch for a certificate of his freedom
according to law, I do therefore hereby certify, that it has
been proved to my satisfaction by competent testimony
that the said Hiram Hitch is free he having ^{been} born of a free
woman of Color of the County and state aforesaid, said Hiram
Hitch is five feet eight and a half inches in height of
Black complexion has a scar over his right eye and
a scar on his breast and has no other visible marks or
scars is now about twenty five years of age & was
born and raised in Somerset County a



In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix
the Seal of the said Court this 8th day of December
Anno Domini Eight hundred and sixty three

Witness Thomas J. Williams

Levin Woolford Clerk

John Dushill 5 feet 7 1/2 of dark complexion
has a large scar on his left cheek bone and a small
scar on his forehead just between the two eyes & has
no other vis marks or scars is now about
40 yrs old born & raised in some city
afca

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Miriam Hitch 5 fut 8½ inches high of B.M.C

Compulsion has a scar over his
right eye and a scar on his breast
about 25 yrs of age & was born

Haines & Sons Coy


Thos J. Williams

Witness

State of Maryland, Somerset County Set:

Whereas Application has been made to me the subscribed
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, Maryland by
a man of color named John Dashiell for a certificate of
his freedom according to law, I do therefore hereby
certify, that it appears from a deed of manumission
executed by Travers Daniel on the twenty second day
of May Eighteen hundred and sixty, that the said John
Dashiell is entitled to his freedom. He is five feet
seven and one half inches in height of dark chestnut
complexion, has a large scar on his left cheek
bone and a small scar on his forehead between the
two eyes and has no other visible marks or scars
is now about forty years of age and was born
and raised in Somerset County aforesaid

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name and affix the seal of the said
Court this first day of January Anno
Domini Eighteen hundred and sixty four


Witness
James T. Daniel

Sevin Woolford Clerk
