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George 11.  
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Keyser Emily 24.

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Mary Ellen (Montgomery) 9  
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Potter Isaac 1.

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Waters Richard D.  
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The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:  
I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern,  
that on an examination of the records and papers in the office of  
the Register of Wills of Washington County, that the last will  
and Testament of William Booth, late of the County aforesaid,  
deceased, bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our  
Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, was proved and recorded  
in said office on the fifth day of August A.D. 1853, in Liber  
B. Folios 235, 236, 237 & 238, one of the will records of Wash-  
ington County, and that the said William Booth, by his said will  
did among other things devise and direct as follows. "Item, I will  
and direct that my negro servants Manuel, Benjamin, Isaac and  
Richard be free from the date of my decease, and from that pe-  
riod be released from all slavery, labor and servitude." And I  
do further certify that the bearer hereof, negro Isaac (Potter),  
whose age is about 36 years, whose height is about five feet five  
and one half inches, whose complexion is dark, and the little  
finger of his right hand bent, and who as appears by the said  
last will and Testament became free on the death of the said  
William Booth, is one of the identical persons who was  
manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Isaac  
Potter was raised in Washington County, Maryland, and is  
at this time a resident of said County.

Seal

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and  
affixed the public seal of my office this 21<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1854.

James Carson,  
Register of Wills for  
Washington County, Md.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit.

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and papers in the office of the Register of Wills of Washington County that the last will and testament of William Booth, late of the County aforesaid deceased, bearing date the 20th day of August A.D. 1850, was found and recorded in said office on the 5th day of August A.D. 1853, in Librs. C. folios 235, 236, 237 & 238, one of the will records of Washington County, and that the said William Booth by his said will did among other things devise and direct, as follows, "Hem, I will and direct that my negro servants Manuel, Benjamin, Isaac & Richard be free from the date of my decease, and from that period be released from all Slavery Labor and Servitude." And I do further certify that the bearer hereof, negro Richard (Waters) whose age is about 31 years whose height is about 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high, whose complexion is dark, and who is marked by a scar on the right wrist, and who as appears by the said last will and testament became free on the death of the said William Booth, is one of the identical persons who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Richard (Waters) was raised in Washington County, Maryland, and is at this time a resident of said County.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the public seal of my office this 17th day of June A.D. 1854,

James Mason, Register of Wills for Washington County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern, that on an examination of the records and papers of the Office of the Register of Wills of Washington County, that the last Will and Testament of William C Duury, late of the County aforesaid, deceased, bearing date, the 24th day of December 1840, was proved and recorded in said office, on the 16th day of March 1841 in Liber D folios 451 to 455, and that the said Wm C Duury, by his last Will and Testament, among other things did devise and bequeath as follows,

"I do will and direct that all the slaves of which I did possess or to which I may in any wise be entitled, at the time of my death, and who may be above the age of twenty one years, at the time of my death, shall be free and discharged from servitude and that all of such slaves, as shall be under the age of twenty one years, at the time of my death, shall also be freed and manumitted, as they respectively attain the age of twenty one years."

And I do further certify that it hath been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof, Negro Andrew Enoch Brown, whose height is about 5 feet 10 1/2 inches, whose age is about 24 years, whose complexion is dark, and whose figure is slender, and who as appears by said Will became free at the age of 21 years, is one of the identical persons, who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid; and that the said Andrew Enoch Brown, was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of my Office this 19th day of June 1857.

*W. A. D.*

James Mason  
Register of Wills for Washington County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County.  
 To wit: I hereby certify to all whom it doth or  
 may concern, that on an examination of the records and  
 papers in the Office of Register of Wills for Washington  
 County, it appears that the last Will and Testament of  
 Jeremiah Mason, late of the County aforesaid, deceased, bearing  
 date September 20<sup>th</sup> 1849, was proved and recorded in the  
 said office on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October A.D. 1849, in Liber  
 C. Folios 45 & 46 and that the said by his Will, did  
 among other things, devise and direct that as follows: "I  
 will and direct that my servants William Porter and  
 George Porter shall be entitled to their freedom when they  
 shall have arrived at the age of thirty years." And I  
 do further certify, that it has been proven by such testi-  
 mony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof, negro,  
 William Porter, whose height is about 5 feet 7 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches,  
 whose age, <sup>as represented by J. T. Mason, one of the Exors of said decd.</sup> is about thirty years, whose complexion is black,  
 and who is without perceptible marks on his person, is  
 one of the identical persons who was manumitted or  
 freed as aforesaid, and that the said negro William  
 Porter was raised in Washington County and is at  
 this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my  
 hand and affixed the public Seal of  
 my office this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October A.D.  
 1854.

James Mason, Register  
 of Wills Wash. Co. Md.

I hereby certify that said William  
 Porter was thirty years of age on the 15<sup>th</sup>  
 of June 1854.

John T. Mason of, Secy

To the Hon. The Orphans Court of Washington County

The undersigned, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Sarah Jacques late of Washington County deceased, would respectfully report that Charlotte Lockman a slave of the said Testatrix, was, by her said last Will and Testament from the time of her death, directed to be manumitted - that at the time the said Will was admitted to probate the said Charlotte was under the age of forty five years that he makes no claim to the said Negro woman as Executor aforesaid but hereby agrees that she may be regarded as free, and permit granted her to remain in the State of Maryland. And that he has made no claims upon the said Negro as Executor aforesaid. Since the probate of the said Will, the other personal property being abundantly sufficient to pay debts.

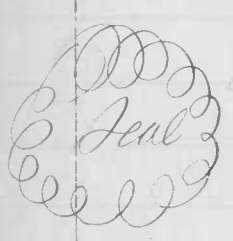
January 12 1855.

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State of Maryland, Washington County to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on examination of the records and papers in the office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last will and Testament of Sarah Jacques, late of the County aforesaid, deceased, bearing date A.D. March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835 <sup>was proved</sup> and recorded in said office on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1837. in Books D. Folios 261, 262. & 263. One of the will books of said County, and that the said Sarah Jacques, by her will among other things did devise and direct as follows. "I give and bequeath my negro woman Charlotte free at my death" And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof negroess Charlotte Lockman, whose height is about 5 feet 11<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches, whose age is about 55 years, whose complexion is dark, and the thumb of whose right hand is shorter than that of the left, and who as appears by said Will and Testament became free on the death of the said Sarah Jacques is the identical person who was freed or manumitted, and that the said Charlotte was raised in Washington County and is at this time, a Resident of said County.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the public seal of my office this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1855.

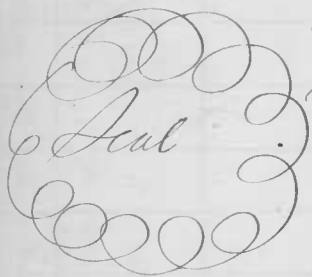
James Mason, Register  
of Wills Wash. Co. Md.

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The State of Maryland, Washington County  
to wit: I hereby certify to all whom it doth or  
may concern, that on an examination of the records  
and papers in the office of Register of Wills for  
Washington County, aforesaid, deceased, bearing date the  
that the last will & testament of Margaret B. Blackwell  
late of said County deceased was proved and recorded  
in the said office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, in  
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
fifty five, in Liber C. Folio - and that  
the said Margaret B. Blackwell by her will among  
other things did devise and direct, as follows: "I will  
and fully set free my Slaves Sally, Patsy, Lucy,  
Mary Ellen, George, Ell, Catharine and Charles,  
and forever manumit them."

And I do further certify, that it has been proven  
by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that  
the Bearer hereof, negroes Sally (Peyton) whose height  
is about 5 feet 1 1/2 inches, who will be aged 38 years  
on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1855, whose complexion is  
dark mulatto, and who is marked by a scar on  
her right arm, and who as appears by said Will  
and Testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1855, is one of the identical persons who were man-  
umitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said  
negroes was raised in Washington County, and is at  
this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed the Public Seal  
of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April  
A. D. 1855.

James Mason, Register of Wills  
for Washington County.



The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:  
 I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern, that  
 on an examination of the records and papers in the of-  
 fice of Register of Wills for Washington County, aforesaid,  
 that the last will & testament of Margaret B. Blackwell late of said County, deceased, was proved and recorded in the said office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & fifty five in Liber C. Folio, and that the said Margaret B. Blackwell, by her will among other things did devise and direct among other things, as follows. " I will and fully set free my Slaves, Sally, Patsy, Lucy, Mary Ellen, George, Ell. Catharine and Charles, and forever manumit them."

And I do further certify, that, that it has been proven to me by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Person hereof, neysep Patsy (or Martha Job) whose height is about five feet one & one quarter inch, who will be aged 36 years on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1855, whose complexion is dark, and who is marked by a Scar above her left eye, and who as appears by said Will and Testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1855, is one of the identical persons who were manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said neysep was raised in Washington County and is at this time a resident of said County.

And I do further certify that it has been proven <sup>to me</sup> by satisfactory testimony, that Charles (William), an infant about fourteen months <sup>old</sup> without perceptible marks, - the son of the said Patsy, (or Martha Job.) is one of the identical negroes who was manumitted or set free as aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Public Seal of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, A. D. 1855.

James Mason, Register of Wills  
 for Washington County

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The State of Maryland, Washington County, Court:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern, that on an examination of the records and papers in the office of Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last will and Testament of Margaret B. Blackwell, late of said County, deceased, was proved and recorded in the said office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March A. D. 1855, in Liber C. Folio -

and that the said Margaret B. Blackwell by her said will among other things, did devise and bequeath as follows: "I will and fully set free my slaves, Sally, Patsy, Lucy, Mary Ellen, George, Ell. Catharine and Charles, and forever manumit them." And I do further certify, that it has been proven to me by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Negro hereof, neyress, Lucy (Ann Winder) whose height is about 5 feet 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  inches, who will be aged 15 years, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1855, and whose complexion is dark mulatto, and who as appears by said will & Testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1855, is one of the identical persons who were manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said neyress was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the public Seal of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April A. D. 1855.

James Wason, Register of Wills  
for Washington County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, Court.

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and papers in the office of Register of Wills for said County it appears that the last Will and Testament of Margaret B. Blackwell, late of said County, deceased, was proved and recorded in the said office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty five in Liber E. folio.

and that the said Margaret B. Blackwell, by her said will among other things did devise and direct as follows: "I will and fully set free my Slaves, Sally, Patsy, Lucy Mary Ellen, George, Ed. Catherine and Charles, and forever manumit them."

And I do further certify, that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Bearer hereof, Miss Mary Ellen, (Montgomery) who will be aged 13 years September 5<sup>th</sup> 1855, whose complexion is black, and who as appears by said will and testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1855, is one of the identical persons who were manumitted or freed as aforesaid and that the said Mary Ellen was raised in Washington County and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Public Seal of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April A. D. 1855.



James Mason Register of Wills for said County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, to-wit:  
 I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern,  
 that on examination of the records and papers in the Office  
 of Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears  
 that the last Will and Testament of Margaret B. Black-  
 well, late of the County aforesaid, deceased, was proved and re-  
 corded in the said office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D.  
 1855, in Libris C. Jolis - and that the said  
 Margaret B. Blackwell, - by her will among other things,  
 did devise and direct as follows: "I will and fully  
 set free my slaves, Sally, Patsy, Mary Ellen, George,  
 Ed. Catharine and Charles, and forever manumit them."

And I do further certify, that it has been proven  
 by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Bear-  
 er hereof, negro, George (Albert Barnes), whose age was  
 12 years, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1855, whose complexion is dark,  
 and who is marked by a Scar on the back of his right  
 hand near the wrist, and who as appears by said  
 will & testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March  
 1855, is one of the identical persons who were man-  
 umitted or freed, as aforesaid, and that the said  
 negro was raised in Washington County, and is  
 at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set  
 my hand and affixed the Public Seal  
 of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April,  
 in the year of our Lord, 1855

James Mason, Register.

State of Maryland, Washington County to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on any examination of the records and papers in the office of Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears, that the last will and testament of Margaret B. Blackwell, late of the County, aforesaid, deceased, was proved and recorded in the said office, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1855. in Libra C. Folios and that the said Margaret B. Blackwell, by her will, among other things, did devise and direct as follows: "I will and fully set free my Slaves Sally, Patsy, Mary Ellen, George, Ell. Catherine and Charles, and forever manumit them." And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof, negroess Ellen Cath. (Montgomery) who was aged 12 years on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1855, whose complexion is mulatto, and who is very near-sighted, and who as appears by the said will & testament became free on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1855, is one of the identical persons who were manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said negroess was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Seal and affixed the public Seal of my office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April A. D. 1855.  
James Mason, Register of Wills for Washington County.

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The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit  
I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern,  
that on an examination of the records and papers  
in the office of Register of Wills for Washington  
County, it appears that the last Will and Testament  
of Jacob Middlebrauff, late of the County aforesaid, decd.  
bearing date the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1832 was  
proved and recorded in the said office, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of February A. D. 1834. in Liber. D. folios 104, 105 & 106,  
and that the said Jacob Middlebrauff, by his said Will  
did, among other things devise and direct as follows;  
"Item, It is my will that at the death of my wife  
my servant girl Eliza shall be emancipated, provided  
she chuse to be free if not to become the property  
of my son John Middlebrauff. And I do further  
certify, that it has been proven by such testimony as  
is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof negroes  
Eliza (Hale) whose height is about 4 feet 11 1/2 in-  
ches; whose age is about 32 or 33 years, and whose  
complexion is dark, and who, as appears by said Will  
& Testament, became free, <sup>on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of June</sup> in the year A. D. 1855,  
is the identical person who was manumitted or freed  
as aforesaid and that the said negroes Eliza was  
raised in Washington County, and is at this  
time a resident of Washington County. & has cho-  
sen to be free agreeably to the condition of said will.

In testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed the public seal of my  
office, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June A. D. 1855

James Mason, Register  
of Wills for Washington  
County, Maryland



State of Maryland, Washington County, do Wit:

I hereby certify to all to whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and papers in the Office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last Will and Testament of Esther Middlekauff, late of Washington County aforesaid deceased, bearing date the 11th day of December A.D. 1848, was proved and recorded in the said Office, on the 26th day of May A.D. 1854, in Liber 10. folios 234 and 235; and that the said Esther Middlekauff, by her said Will, did among other things devise and direct as follows: "I order and direct that my negro boy Levi shall be set free at the earliest period allowed by the laws of the state;" And I do further certify, that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the Bearer hereof, negro Levi (Lee) whose age is about 17 years, whose height is about 5 feet 7 inches, and whose complexion is very black, and who as appears by the said last will and testament, became free on the 26th day of May A.D. 1854, is the identical person, who was manumitted and or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Negro Levi (Lee) was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

Seal

In testimony whereof, I James Mason, Register of Wills for Washington County aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 20th day of November 1855.  
James Mason

State of Maryland, Washington County, ss. I certify:

I hereby certify to all to whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records & papers in the Office of Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last will & testament of Richard Hagan, late of the County aforesaid deceased, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty three, was proved and recorded in said office, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, in Liber C, folios 82, 83, and 84 and that said Richard Hagan by his said will, among other things did devise and direct as follows, "Item, It is my will that my negro woman Hannah shall be free the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January eighteen hundred and fifty six,"

And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Negro Hannah Sucket, whose age is about years, whose height is about 5 feet 5 inches, of stout person & whose complexion is rather a dark mulatto, and who as appears by said last will & testament, became free on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January AD 1856, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said Negro Hannah Sucket, was raised in Washington County aforesaid & is now a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affix the public seal of my office this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January AD 1856.

James Meason  
Register of Wills for Washington County.



Papers in above case filed with the Court papers of this year, 1856.

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

Thereby certify to all to whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and papers in the office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last will and testament of John Brinkman late of the County aforesaid deceased, bearing date the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty one, was proved and recorded in said office on the twenty third day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty five, in Liber C folios 276 & 277, and that said John Brinkman by his said will, did among other things devise & direct as follows. Memorandum. "It is also my will & desire that my negro man named Rafe, his wife Sally and their youngest daughter, Elizabeth shall be free at my decease, and my other negroes named Rafe, Richard and George, shall be set free at the age of twenty eight years, &c"

And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Negro Rafe, whose age is about 28 years, whose height is about 5 feet 7 inches, whose complexion is black, & who has a scar on the third finger of his left hand, and who as appears by said last will & testament became free at the age of 28 years, is the identical person, who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said Rafe was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is now a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the public seal of my office, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March A. D. 1836.

James Mern  
Register of Wills for Washington County.

State of Maryland, Washington County, to Wit:

I hereby certify that to all whom it doth or may concern that upon an examination of the records and papers, in the Office of the Register of Wills for Washington County aforesaid, it appears that the last will & testament of George Lefever, late of said County deceased, bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight Hundred and forty eight, was proved and recorded in said office, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight Hundred and fifty, in Liber & folios 67. 68. 69. 70 & 71, and that said George Lefever by his said will, among other things, devise and bequeath as follows, viz  
 "I also give and bequeath to my son Henry my girl Jane until she is twenty eight years age, &c," "And it is my will and desire that after my said servants shall have respectively arrived at the age of twenty eight years, they shall be entitled to their freedom &c,"

And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof, Negroe Jane, whose height is about 5 ft 2 inches, whose age is 28 years, who is of dark complexion & of rather full face, and who as appears by said last will & testament became free at the age of 28 years, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said Jane was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In Testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand & affix the Public seal of my office, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1856.

James Mason  
 Register of Wills of Washington County

State of Maryland, Washington County, to Writ:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that upon an examination of the records and papers, in the Office of Register of Mills for Washington County, It appears that the last will & testament of Peter Schuchley, late of said County deceased, bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836, was proved & recorded in said office, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836, in Liber D folios 209 and 210, and that said Peter Schuchley by his said will did among other things devise and bequeath as follows, "my little yellow girl May, my yellow boy William, my yellow girl Caroline, my yellow boy Richard, my little boy Jacob, and my black boy Ruben, are all to be sold to good and humane masters, until they arrive at the age of twenty seven years, when they are to be free."

And I do further certify that it hath been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Negro William (Curtis) whose age is about 27 years whose height is about 5 feet 9 inches, whose complexion is yellow, and who as appears by said last will & testament, became free at the age of 27 years, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as afore said: and that said William was raised in Washington County, and is now a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand, and affix the public Seal of my office this 29 day of July 1836.

James Mason  
Register of Mills for Washington County.

*Recd*

The State of Maryland. Washington County, to wit.

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and the papers in the office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last Will & Testament of Henry Brewer, late of said County, deceased, bearing date August 15<sup>th</sup> 1831, was proven and recorded in the said office, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 1838, in Liber D. Folios 315, 316, 317 & 318, and that the said Henry Brewer, by his will did among other things, devise and direct as follows:

"And I direct and declare that my two negro boys, slaves named Ottho & Joseph shall be released from all manner of slavery and free from all servitude to my heirs executors & administrators forever, and it is my desire that they be purchased by or divided to some of my sons, and kept by them until they shall arrive to the age of twenty five years, respectively, at which age I declare they shall be free as aforesaid." And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Bearer, hereof negro Joseph Pillas, whose height is about five feet, five inches, whose age is about 28 years, & who is of stout build & of dark complexion and without any mark on his person with the exception of a scar on the right side of his neck, and who as appears by the said will became free at the age of 25 years is one of the identical persons who was manumitted and freed as aforesaid, and that said Joseph was raised in Washington County and is at this time a Resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, A. D. 1857.



James Mason, Register of Wills  
for Washington County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and the papers in the office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last Will and Testament of ~~Washington~~ Francis Breathed, late of said County, deceased, bearing date the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of our Lord 1835, in Liber D. Folios 218. 219 & 220. and that the said Francis Breathed, by her said Will among other things, did devise and direct, that as follows: "Truly: I give and bequeath to my servant Bob his freedom, but he shall serve John & Ranney Breathed, and their heirs until he shall arrive at the age of twenty eight years." And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof negro (Robert D. Thompson) whose height is about five feet and six and three fourth inches, whose age is about twenty eight years, of black complexion & ~~man~~ with a mark on the back of his neck caused by poison, and who as appears by the said will became free at the age of twenty eight years, is the identical person who was manumitted and freed as aforesaid, and that said Bob, or (Robert D. Thompson, was raised in Washington County and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 3<sup>d</sup> day of June A. D. 1857.

(Seal)

James Mason, Register of Wills  
for Washington County.

The State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit.

I Herely Certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and the papers in the office of the Register of Wills for Washington County it appears that the last will and testament of Joseph Gabby, late of Washington County, deceased, bearing date the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of our Lord 1855, was proved, and recorded in the said Office on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1857, in Liben        Folio        and that the said Joseph Gabby, by his said Will among other things did devise and direct, that "Item. My colored woman Jane shall have her freedom at my death," and I do further certify that it has been proven to me by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof nequb Jane Dorsey, whose height is about five feet 3 1/2 inches, whose age is about        years, and whose complexion is dark mulatto, and who on the death of said Joseph Gabby, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said nequb Jane Dorsey, was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.



In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1857.

James Mason, Register of Wills  
for Washington County.



State of Maryland Washington County, to wit:

J. William Logan, Register of Wills, in and for said county, do hereby certify to all, whom it doth or may concern, that it appears from the last Will and Testament of Henry Arkeny, late of Washington County, deceased, made on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1857 and admitted to probat on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1857, and duly recorded in my office, that the bearer hereof a Negro man named Jacob Mammek, is duly manumitted and set free by the said last Will and Testament, said Jacob is five feet six and a half inches high, a scar above the right eye, a like small scar in the forehead, and also a scar on the nose, of a light complexion, and is about thirty four years of age



In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 22<sup>d</sup> day of December 1857.

Wm Logan Register of Wills for Washington County.

State of Maryland Washington County, to wit:

I William Logan, Register of Mills in and for said County, do hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that it appears from the last Will & Testament of Peter Smirely, late of Washington County deceased, made on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836, and admitted to Probate on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836, and duly recorded in my office, that the beaver hereof a Negro woman named Caroline Curtis, is duly manumitted and set free by the said last will and testament, said Caroline is about five feet high, of light complexion, and about Twenty Seven years of age.



In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 22<sup>d</sup> day of June 1838.

William Logan Register of  
Mills of Washington County.

State of Maryland Washington County to wit.

I hereby certify to all whom it may or doth concern that on examination of the records and papers in the Register Office of Mills of Washington County, it appears that the last will and Testament of Jacob Jones, late of said County, deceased, bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1846, was proved in said Office, on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March A.D. 1849 & Recorded in Liber D. Folio 727 & 728, and that said Jacob Jones, by his said Will, did among other things, devise and direct as follows. "I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Susan Potts, one Negro Boy John, born August 18<sup>th</sup> 1830, to serve as a slave, until he arrives to the age of 28 years" And I do further Certify, that it has been proved by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the Bearer here of Negro John Mary Beatty, whose age is 28 years, whose height is 5 feet 6 1/2 inches, and whose complexion is black, and who as appears by the said last will and Testament, became free on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1858, is the identical person, who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Negro John Mary Beatty was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County



In testimony whereof I, Wm Logan Register of Mills of Washington County aforesaid do hereunto set my hand and affix the public seal of my office this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1858.

Wm Logan Register

24<sup>th</sup>

State of Maryland Washington County. to wit:

I, William Logan, Register of Mills of said County, do hereby certify to all whom it may or doth concern, that it appears from a Codicil to the last Will and Testament of Joseph Reel, decd. bearing date the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November. A.D. 1830. and admitted to Probate on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1831 & duly recorded in my Office in Liber C. folio 517. and that said Joseph Reel, by said Codicil to said Will, among other things, did devise and direct, as follows. "I leave it to my Will that my slave "Sarah" shall be free when she arrives to thirty five years of age. And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof, Aegress, Emily Reyer, whose height is five feet. five inches high whose age is thirty five years, of dark copper complexion, and with a scar on her nose & is a daughter of said slave Sarah, mentioned in said Joseph Reel's will, as appears by the said Will became free at the age of thirty five years & that said Emily was a child in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of the same.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of my Office this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1858.

Wm Logan Register



State of Maryland, Washington County, to Wit:

I hereby Certify to all whom it doth or may Concern that on examination of the records and papers in the Register Office of Hills of Washington County, it appears that the Last will & testament of Henry Audeny, late of said County deceased, bearing date the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. W. 1857, was proved in said Office on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. W. 1857, & Recorded in Lib. C. folios 389 & 390, did among other things devise & direct, as follows: "I do hereby Certify that it is my will that my servant men know by the names of Edward, Perry, Michael, Isaac and Jacob & my servant woman Louisa to be free at my death." And I do further Certify, that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof, Negro Perry Smith, whose age is 33 Years, whose height is 5 feet, 5 inches, whose Complexion is a dark Copper Colour, & who has a scar over the right eye, and who appears by the said Will & testament became free at the death of the said Henry Audeny, is one of the identical persons who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Negro Perry Smith was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I *Wm Logan*, Register of Wills of Washington County aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and Affix the Public Seal of my Office this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. W. 1858.

*Wm Logan*, Register

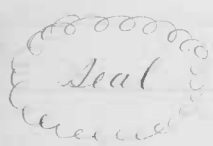


State of Maryland. Washington County. to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern, that on examination of the records and papers in the Register Office of Wills of Washington County, it appears that the last will and testament of Henry Antkewy, late of said County deceased, bearing date the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1857, was proved in said office on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1857 & recorded in Liber E. folios 389 & 390, did among other things, devise and direct as follows "I do hereby certify that it is my Will that my servant men, known by the names of Edward, Perry, Michael, Isaac & Jacob & my servant woman Louisa, to be free at my death," and I do further certify, that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof Louisa Dorsey, whose age is about 40, whose height is 5 feet 3 inches, whose complexion is a dark copper colour, and who appears by the said Will and Testament, became free at the death of the said Henry Antkewy, is one of the identical persons who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Negro, Louisa Dorsey, was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I, Wm. Logan Register of Wills of Washington County aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and affix the Public seal of my Office this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1859.

Wm. Logan Register

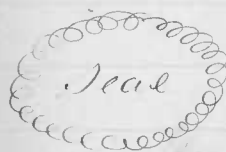


State of Maryland Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it may or doth concern, that on examination of the records and papers in the Register Office of Wills of Washington County. It appears that the last will and testament of Jonas Stogmire, late of said County, deceased, bearing date the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1846, was proved in said office on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 1848 and recorded in Liber D. folios 821. 822. 823. 824. & 825. and among other things did devise and bequeath as follows, "I give, devise and bequeath unto my son <sup>Andrew</sup> ~~Jonas~~ Stogmire the whole of my plantation, in Washington County, Maryland whereon I now live, together with all my personal property, money on hand, and money due to me at the time of my death whatsoever to him his heirs and assigns forever. Excepting nevertheless my Negro slaves, all of who each and every one of them that are over the age of thirty six years are to be free after my decease." And I do ~~positively~~ further certify that it has been proved by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof Moses Butler, whose age is about fifty years, whose height is 5 feet 6 inches, whose complexion is as dark, who has a scar in his right cheek, whose left eye is defective and who appears to be one of those referred to in the said will and testament, became free at the death of said Jonas Stogmire, is one of the identical persons who was admitted or freed as aforesaid; and that the said Negro Moses Butler was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof J. Mm Logan, Register of Wills of Washington County aforesaid do hereunto set my hand and affix the Public seal of my office this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1859.

J. Mm Logan Register



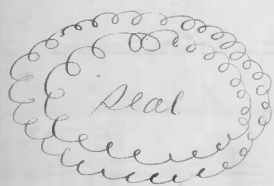
State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it may or doth concern, that upon examination of the records and papers in the Register's Office of Wills of said County, It appears that the last will and testament of Jonas Hognin, late of said County, deceased, bearing date the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1846, was proved in said Office on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 1848, and recorded in Liber D, folios 821. 822. 823. 824. & 825, and among other things did devise and bequeath as follows,

"I give devise and bequeath unto my son Amos Hognin, the whole of my Plantation in Washington County Maryland, together with all my personal property, money on hand and moneys due me at the time of my death whatsoever to him his heirs and assigns forever, excepting nevertheless my Negro slaves, all of who each and every one of them that are over the age of thirty six years are free after my decease" And I do further certify that it has been proven by

such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof John Butler whose age is about Fifty years, whose height is 6 feet 1 inch whose complexion is Black, and who has a small scar on his right hand wrist, and who appears to be one of those referred to in said last will and testament, became free at the death of said Jonas Hognin, is one of the identical persons who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County,

In testimony whereof I, Wm Logan, Register of Wills of Washington County aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and affix the Public seal of my office this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August. A.D. 1859.



William Logan Register



State of Maryland Washington County to Wit;

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on an examination of the records and papers in the Office of the Register of Wills for Washington County, it appears that the last Will and Testament of Thomas Mains late of Washington County aforesaid. Deceased, bearing date the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D., 1845, was proved and recorded in said Office on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D., 1848, in Liber D, folios 819 and 820, and that the said Thomas Mains, by his said Will, did among other things devise and direct as follows. "I also Will and agree that Philip my Black Man be free and at liberty in a month after my decease, also my Black Girl Harriett, all the remainder of my Black Family are to stay as they are for two years, then to go to the Parish Priest for two years more, then be free."— And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof, Negro Philip Lewis, whose age is about 21 years, whose height is about 5 feet 6½ inches, whose complexion is Black, and who has a scar on his left arm, also a small scar on his nose, and who has an impediment in his speech, is one of the identical persons, that was manumitted or freed as aforesaid. And that said Philip was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.



In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the Public Seal of my Office this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May A.D., 1860.

W<sup>m</sup> Logan Register of Wills  
for Washington County.

State of Maryland, Washington County, to Wit;

I, hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern, that on an examination of the records and papers in the Office of the Register of Wills of Washington County, it appears that the Last Will and Testament, of Catharine Alter, late of Washington County, aforesaid, deceased, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D., 1857, was proved in said Office on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April A. D., 1857, and recorded in Liber D, folios 371, and 372, and that the said Catharine Alter, by her said Will, did among other things devise and direct as follows, "It is my Will and desire that my Negroes shall be sold to persons living in this County, with the provision also that they are not to be sold out of this County under any circumstances, they will be sold to serve until they respectively arrive at the age of Thirty Five Years, when they are to be set free."

And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Sarah Hemsley, whose age is over Thirty Five Years, whose height is Five feet and three inches, whose complexion is Black, and who has a scar on her left thumb, and a scar on the 2<sup>nd</sup> finger of her right hand, occasioned by Felons, and who appears to be one of those referred to in said Last Will and Testament and was manumitted as aforesaid at the age of Thirty Five years; And that said Sarah was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof I, hereunto set my hand and affix the Public Seal of my Office this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May A. D., 1860.



W<sup>m</sup> Logan Register of Wills, of  
Washington County

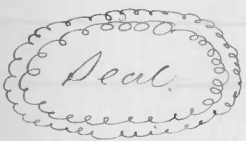
Petition of Executors, filed with papers in the case.

State of Maryland Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it doth or may concern that on examination of the records and papers in the office of the Register of Wills of Washington County, It appears that the Last will and testament of Elizabeth Prather, late of Washington County aforesaid deceased, bearing date the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1847, was proved and recorded in said office on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1848, in Liber C, folios 792, 793 & 794, and that the said Elizabeth Prather by her said Will, did among other things, devise and direct as follows "I will and bequeath to my son Jonathan Prather my Negro boy Kerry, until said Kerry shall have arrived at the age of twenty eight years at which time said Negro boy Kerry shall be entitled to his freedom", And the said Jonathan Prather being now here present and consenting to this certificate being issued, and I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer hereof, Negro Kerry White whose age is twenty eight years on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September last past, whose height is six feet, whose complexion is light, is straight in person and walks erectly and having no perceptible marks upon his person is the identical person, that was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said Kerry White was devised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County,

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the Public Seal of my office this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October A.D. 1860.

Wm Logan Register of Wills  
of Washington County.



State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify to all, whom it may or doth concern, that on examination of the records & papers in the office of the Register of Wills of Washington County, it appears that the last Will and testament of Jacob Jones, late of Washington County aforesaid, deceased, bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. 1846, was proved and recorded in said office on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March A. D. 1847, in Liber D. folios 727. 728. 729. and that the said Jacob Jones, by his said Will, did among other things, devise and direct as follows: "I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Susan Potts, one other girl "Mary" born July 30<sup>th</sup> 1835, to serve as a slave until she arrives to the age of twenty five years" and I do further certify, that it hath been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Negroess Mary Benton, who was twenty five years of age on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July last past, whose height is 5 feet 6 inches, whose complexion is of a light copper color & whose thumb on the left hand is crooked, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that said Mary Benton was raised in Washington County and is at this time a resident of said County,

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixed the Public seal of my office this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1861.

Wm Logan Register of Wills  
of Washington County.



State of Maryland, Washington County to Wit;

I hereby cer-

tify to all whom it may or doth concern, that on examination of the records and paper in the Office of the Register of Wills of Washington County, it appears that the Last Will and Testament of Peter Schnelley, late of Washington County, Deceased bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1836, was proved and recorded in said Office in said Office on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1836, in Liber D. folio 209 + 210, and that the said Peter Schnelley by his said Will, did among other things devise and direct as follows, "That My Yellor Boy Richard shall be sold by my Executors hereinafter named to a humane Master, until he shall attain the age of Twenty Seven Years, when he shall be free". And I do further certify that it hath been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me, that the bearer hereof Negro Richard Curtis, who is about Twenty Nine Years of age, whose height is Five Feet, eight inches, whose complexion is Yellor, whose left Knee is stiff and who has a scar on his left wrist, is the identical person who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid; and that said Richard was raised in Washington County, and is at this time a resident of said County.

Seal

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set  
My hand, and affixed the Public Seal of  
my Office, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May A.D. 1861,

Wm. Logan Register of Wills  
of Washington County,

State of Maryland, Washington County, to Wit:

I hereby certify to all whom it may, or doth concern, that on examination of the records and papers in the Registry Office, of Wills of Washington County. It appears that the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Catharine Alter, late of said County, deceased, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1851. And was admitted to probat in said Office on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 1854, and recorded in Lib. E. Folios 371 & 372, and among other things, did devise and bequeath as follows:

Item, "It is my Will and desire that my negroes shall be sold to persons living in this County, with the provision also that they are not to be sold out of this County: under any circumstances, they will be sold to serve until they respectively arrive to the age of thirty-five years, when they are to be set free." And I do further certify that it has been proven by such testimony as is satisfactory to me that the bearer herself Mary Douglas whose age is about 36 years, whose height is 5 feet 3 inches, whose complexion is very Dark, who has a mould on the left cheek & one on the forehead, and who appears to be one of those Negroes referred to in the said last Will and Testament, became free at the age of 35 years, which occurred in March A.D. 1862, is one of the identical persons who was manumitted or freed as aforesaid, and that the said Mary Douglas was raised in Washington County aforesaid, and is at this time a resident of said County.

In testimony whereof, I, Wm Logan, Register of Wills for Washington County, aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and affix the official seal of my office this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1863.

Wm Logan, Register.