

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COURT
(Affidavits of Freedom)
1810-1850

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CR 47,249-2

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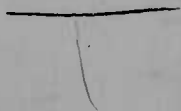
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Personally appeared Jacob M. Howe in open Court
and made oath on the holy Evangel of Almighty God
that he has been informed and verily believes, ^{that} Perim
Ogliton a Negro Petitioner, ^{to this Court} descended from Maria
Ogliton a free East Indian woman, ^{in the master's line} and that the
said Perim Ogliton will be able to prove the same
and that he the said Howe has been informed and
verily believes that the said Perim Ogliton is entitled
to his freedom -

Sworn ^{to} in open Court September 19th 1810

John Deed Magruder J. Clerk


Medaille of Knack
M Lowe



District of Columbia }
Washington County }^{ss.}

Personally appeared before me a Justice of
the peace for ~~the~~ said County Ann Proctor a free
white ~~white~~ woman of lawful age & makes oath in
due form that Polly Berry a bright molatto
woman about forty years of age somewhat pitted
with the small pox stout made and rather above
the common size. was free born as was the Mother
of the said Polly. whom she also well knew.

Witness my hand & this 24th day of August
1819.

Signed. Dan Rapine


District of Columbia Washington County Set.

I William Brent Clerk of the Circuit
Court of the District of Columbia for the County aforesaid
hereby certify that Dan Rapine Gentleman before
whom the above affidavit appears to have been
made and whose name is thereto subscribed
was at the time of so doing a Justice of the peace
in and for the County aforesaid duly commissioned
and sworn.

In Testimony whereof I hereto
set my hand & affix the seal
of said Court this 24th day of
August 1819.

Wm Brent Clerk

John Proctors Clerk

On March 23rd 1829
into the Clerks Office of
James George, County
to be recorded
same day recorded in Liber
A.D. No. 5 folio 884 One of
the land records of said County

Since James Green by J. H.
On the 23rd day of March 1829 personally appeared
before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace
for the County aforesaid Doctor James C.
Caretto and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists
of almighty God that he has known Polly
Perry named in the foregoing affidavit
since the year Eighteen Hundred & Seventeen
and know her to be a free born woman

Subscribed
J. H. H. H. H. H. H.

The Reverend William Henson I have known for upwards of fifteen
years, who I have understood to be son of Lilly Henson and
I believe he was born free & of

B. Bowling

July 10th 1830 -

Filed the 10th,
day of July 1830

Edward Darcey
certificate

Given the 1st day
of December 1830 -

State of Maryland Prince Georges County December
1st 1822.

I hereby certify that negro woman Jane
and Louisa two mulatto women the one about
thirty and years of age & the other about eighteen
years of age and free persons and are the
identical persons mentioned and set free by me

by deed of Manumission bearing date the first
day of June 1822 and recorded among the

Public Records of Prince Georges County.

Given under my hand the day and year
above mentioned.

Edward Parsey

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Leonard Watson

affiant

Manfred Prince George County to wit.

On this 15th day of May 1830 personally appears Leonard Watson before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, and makes oath on the Holy Evangelys of Almighty God that negro Isaac a black man about forty four years of age is the identical negro mentioned in a Deed of Manumission from Clement Hooley day of the County aforesaid to the said negro Isaac & others bearing date the 19th day of July 1820 and recorded among the Land Records of Prince George County -

Sworn before -

C. B. Bowling
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John P. Duval

Letter

Filed 10th July 1830

Dear Sir
Wm. P. Duval
Clerk. of the Court

Spencer's Book

Dear Sir. This will be handed you by David
Peck. a free black man, who goes to yr office to
obtain his freedom papers. he was born free. I
have known him from his infancy - he was born
on Mr. Machalls plantation. and is the son of
old David Peck. who I dare say you very well
know. as he was a tenant, to Mr. Machalls for
many years - he and his wife. both were free,
there is no obstacle in the way of their son the present
David Peck - getting his papers. Respectfully I am
Dear Sir

Yr m. ob. Serv

John Duvall

10th July 1830

Affidavit of
William F Hall

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Filed 20 Apr 10 1900

Maryland p^{re}nce George's County
On this 20th day of September 1833 personally
appears William P. Stace before the
Subscribes a Justice of the Peace in and
for the County aforesaid and makes
Oath on the Holy Evangelly of almighty
that says Frank Craig a black man
about twenty one years of age is a free
born person, and, the reputed son of
a certain Milly Craig a free woman
of colour of the County.

Sworn Before

Rich^d. D. Burroughs
J. P.

Shadrach
Lee

for 2 April 1833

Maryland Prince Georges County to wit

On this 2^d day of April 1833.

Personally appeared William St. Pils, Justice of the Peace in and for Prince Georges County aforesaid and made oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that

Negro, Thaddeus Lee is a free man and he is entitled to his freedom by virtue of a Deed of Manumission from a certain

Lancaster Lee Recorded among the Land Records of Prince

Georges County -

Sworn before

O. C. Carner J.P.



Affidavit of
Richard Gray
of the lot of his
Free Papers

sd 22^o June 1833

Maryland Precinct George County 1st

On the 22^d day of June 1833 personally appears before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Richard Gray of the County aforesaid, and makes Oath in the Holy Evangelys of Almighty God that some time in the year 1832 the Justice then the Defendant cannot recollect, but believes it to have been in the latter part of the month of December, he lost his certificate of freedom granted him by the Clerk of Precinct George County Court; that he has since made a diligent search and inquiry for said Certificate but has not been able to recover it, and the said Richard Gray further makes Oath that the said Certificate was not given to any slave with a view of aiding or assisting him or her in making his or her escape from his or her owner or master.

Sworn before

J. B. [Signature] J.P.

Certificate of
Samuel Sprigg

of 26th May 1832

Aquila Bear Cove

C. P. G. C. G.

The four following named persons are free, (being the children of Frank Hawbury and his wife Linda, who were both liberated by the last will and testament of my Uncle Mr. Osborn Sprigg) and are entitled to receive their freedom papers - to wit - William aged fourteen years, Thomas, eleven years ~~and~~, Christina, six years ~~and~~ and Patrick about three years ~~and~~ - As they are about to emigrate from the State their papers ought to be made out with great care and under the seal of the State -

Saml Sprigg
Northampton Farm
May 25th 1832

George Williams,

{ Affidavit,
of Richard
Turner

17th May 1834

Prince Georges County Sch

On this 17th day of May 1834 personally
appears Richard Turner before the Subscriber
a Justice of the Peace ^{of the State of Maryland} in and for Prince Georges
County and makes oath on the Holy Evangelles
of almighty God that George Williams is
a free born person and is the reputed son
of a certain Rackael Williams a free
woman of colour.

Sworn before

Richard D. Burroughs

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James Harris
affidavit of the
freedom of Wm Jones,

for 1st Nov 1834

Maryland Prince Georges County Set

On this 1st of November 1834. personally appears
James Harris before me the Subscriber a Justice
of the peace in and for said County and made
oath on the holy Evangelical God that William
Jones is a free born person & is the reputed son
of ~~William Jones~~ Priscilla Jones a free woman
of Colour—

Given before

W. B. [Signature]

Ed Jones
cert granted
of Julia
Matthews

per April
1839.

Amelia Beale & Co
Edw Jones George & Co
Convent

Vauvillie C. G. L. Dec. 31st 1834

Aquilla Beale Esq.

For the recovery of this, Julian Matthews, is desirous to obtain a certificate of her freedom. by referring to a Decree of Manumission on Record in your office. from Solomon Mattheus (who is her father) you will find she has been lawfully & mancipated, Julian is of dark Copper Colour. of common size, straight and well made, has a remarkable scar on the upper part of her Breast near her throat occasioned by a Burn. I have known Julian for many years. She has lived in my house at different times and know her to be the person named in the Decree of Manumission mentioned above. if this should not be deemed sufficient she can be more positively identified

respectfully Joseph E. Lane,

Affidavit of
James Robinson

Filed the 26th
day of August 1834.

Maryland Prince George County Oct.

On this 20th day of August 1834 persons
appear before me the Subscriber a Justice of
the Peace in and for said County James
Robinson and made oath on the Holy
Evangelly of almighty God that Mary Ann
Jackson is a free born person, and is the
upuled daughter of a certain Annetta ~~Beeth~~
a free Jackson a free woman of colour
of the County & State aforesaid -
sworn to before

[Signature]

affidavit of
Margery Ferguson

to
Richd R. Brevitt
do then

15th Oct 1834

Manfred Prince Georges County took it

On this 14th day of October 1834.

Before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in
and for said County, personally appeared Mrs. Marjory
Ferguson, and makes Oath on the holy Evangel of
Almighty God, that, Priscilla Bowie, Rich^d Rousty
Bowie, Elizabeth Marjory Bowie, Levi Franklin Bowie
and James Henry Bowie, are the Children of Sucky
Bowie (a free Col^d woman) and that the said Priscilla
Bowie, Richard Rousty Bowie, Elizabeth Marjory
Bowie Levi Franklin Bowie, and James Henry
Bowie, to her knowledge were free born

Sworn before

C. C. Amer

Mary Butler

appt.

Edw. Washburn

of Gray Mass

County of Prince Georges County
On this Twenty eight day of August 1835
Appears before me the Subscriber a Justice of the
Peace Richard H. Marshall one made oath
on the holy Evangel of almighty God that
Mary Butler a matter Negro woman aged about
twenty two years old and that she is free born
a Daughter of Elizabeth Butler and that she
never Butler was born & raised in Prince
Georges County Sworn before
L. H. Chew J.P.

Henry Loggins

attn

Mr. Piles

281 Main St
-
Salem, Mass

Maryland Prince George County

On this 29th August 1835 personally appears
William Aples, before me the Subscriber a
Justice of the Peace in and for said County & made
oath on the Holy Evangelly of Almighty God
that Henry Loggon, about twenty two years
of age is a free person, and is the reputed
son of Aily Loggon, a free woman who
became entitled to her freedom by virtue
of a deed of Manumission from ~~James~~ ^{Hezekiah}
Wester bearing date the 22 June 1805 -
and duly Enrolled among the Land Record
of said County

sworn before

L. H. Chew J.P.

Negro John Allen

affiant of

Wences Mitchell

Filed 23rd July 1835

I have sent John a young negro man set free by Miss Ann Waring; he wants his certificate at the office of his freedom. I sent him last summer, by order of Miss Waring; but there was a mistake of one year too soon. I have sent the original manumission paper, in which you will find his name, which Miss Waring sent to me last summer. I saw Miss Ann Waring last Saturday, and she told me she ~~was going~~ would send him down to Malbro for his papers, be pleased to return by John the manumission deed I send by him.

Aquilla Peace Esq.
Clerk of Prince Georges
County Court Md.
July 21. 1835.

Yours Respectfully
Spencer Mitchell

I know the ~~beautif~~ of the manumission paper I have ^{sent} to be Miss Ann Waring's servant, the same specified in the same, by name John, and that he has been raised in the Miss Waring's family, is about 26 years old rather of dark complexion, his height five feet one inch, and an eighth, a small scar over the internal angle of the left eye.

Prince Georges County to wit,
personally appeared Spencer Mitchell before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said County, and being duly sworn to the above statement to be true

July 21th 1835

Sworn to before me
Elisha Perry
J.

Affidavit
of
Rd. Honey

do 18 June 1835

On this 18th day of June 1835 personally appears before
Bennett Farr before me the undersigned
a Justice of the Peace in and for Prince Georges County
State of Maryland & makes oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty
God that John Day the bearer hereof a bright mulatto
Boy twenty one years of age 5 feet 5 1/2 inches is a free Boy
and that the said John Day was born free and is the
same who was bound on 5th day of September 1817 by
Jno Soper and Middleton Doosen two Justices of the Peace
of said County & State to a certain William Sevelles, to
serve until he the said John Day arrived to the age
of twenty one years and that his time of service has expired
I do hereby solemnly swear before - Richard Gaunoy

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Thos. G. Pratt Esquire

Widdow

Marlboro



Dec 14th July 1836

certificate of
Mayer Young

June 2^d, 1836-

Thos. G. Pratt Esq^r

Dear Sir

The beaver Violetta who goes to Marlboro with Girl Sally for the purpose of assisting her to obtain free papers tells me that you are acquainted with the circumstances of this Girl's Mother's freedom & wishes to see you respecting her desire I drop you these few lines & would say that I have no doubt of Sally's being the daughter of the late William S. Hall by Catharine whom he set free a few years before her death.

Very respectfully
Yours
Atley Goring

James Mitchell

Filed 3rd April 1836

This is to certify that the beaver James Mitchell
transmitted by Charles Mitchell of Prince Georges
State of Maryland, about the year 1816, and re-
corded in the Clerks office of said County & State
being twenty one years of age, wishes to get his face
papers, and has applied to me for a Certificate
to carry to the Clerk of the County, and I do certify
the said James Mitchell is the person, that he measures
nearly five feet six inches, that he is rather a bright
Mulletta, thick and well made, has a large broad
Scar on the right and fore part of his arm, from
a burn when young.

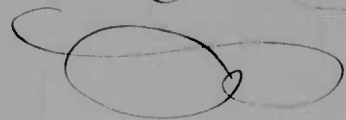
Prince Georges County to Wit.

On this 5th day of April 1836.

before the Subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for said
County, personally appears Spencer Sh. Bell and made
Oath on the holy Evangelij of Almighty God, that the
~~above~~ facts stated in the above Certificate, is true and
correct to the best of his knowledge and belief;

Sworn before

Overton W. Warren J.P.



Mr. Ag. Peall

Note from

to Mr. M. C. Gregory

filed the 4th of Novr 1836

Dear Sir

The two Girls who are the bearers of
this note wish to ascertain if there
is any record of their freedom and
to get their certificates of the same
- their father and Mother were purch-
ased by their Grand Father Basil Mullin
about the years 1816-17 or 18, with the
eldest girl, and gave them their liberty
- they have been ever since free but have
had no certificate of their manumission
please examine the records for them and
give them such direction as will be
necessary for them to pursue -

Very Respectfully

A. M. M. Gays

Recd 30th March 1837

Squitta Bell 29th

Bell of Prince George, South Coast

Upper Matberg

by Grace Brooke

Belle-Vue March 29th 1837

Dear Sir

Will you be so obliging as to give the Beaver Grace
Brooke, formerly Grace Jackson, a Certificate for her freedom, she was
emancipated I think in Feb. 2 1825 which the receipt in your office
will shew, to me then Elizabeth Cunniff. Your compliance will oblige

Y^r S^r your very
respectfully

Elizabeth Lowe

Identity of Elegg
Brown by
Walter W. B. B. B.

Filed 30th Nov 1837

I have examined the papers of Eva Brown
and think that they are sufficient for
evidence of her freedom to justify the
Clerk in giving a certificate to her -
The same case to be filed in your
office the said papers -

Wm. W. Brown

To any of the young
gentlemen in the Clerk's office

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Wm. W. Brown

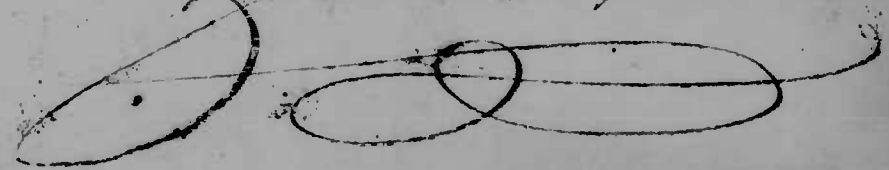
Wm. W. Brown

Attest
Jacob M. Adde

Witnessed the 29th day
of Sept 1837-

To the Clerk of
the County Court
or the Register of
the said County

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
September 28th 1854
Then came Jacob Riddle
before me the Subjunct a Justice of the Peace
for said County and made oath on the Holy
Evangel of Almighty God that Benjamin Mather
the bearer hereof is or has been High 23
years old date of completion and has a
Scar on his right Breast was born
raised in the County and State aforesaid
is the reputed son of Sarah Mather who was
manumitted by John Williams of said
County deceased upwards of thirty years
past

Jacob Riddle


To enable the negroes within named to obtain their Certificate of freedom
it is necessary that they should get the Clerk of P. & G. Court's Certificate
as the person signing his name is a Justice of the
peace

Affidavit of
Alexander Barker

filed the 24th day
of June 1857.

To the Clerk of Calvert
County
M. D.

State of Maryland Prince Georges county to wit
on this twenty third day of May in the year of
our Lord Eighteen hundred & thirty six before me
the subscribed one of the Justices of the peace in
& for aforesaid county personally appears James
McKee I made oath on the Holy Evangelys of Alms
- ghty God that a free colored man James Harvie
and Louisa ^{Harvie} his wife came from Calvert county
to Prince Georges county & that they lived on ~~his~~ land
& had three girl children which have now grown to be
women their names are Mary Ann Harvie she is
about five feet two & a half inches in height large mouth
with thick lips with large eyes - Sarah Harvie she is
about five feet two & a quarter inches in height she
has a small scar on her left arm about one inch long
opposite her elbow & Rosetta Harvie is about five feet
one half inch in height she has a scar on her right cheek
occasioned by a burn with broad face & all three are
black

Sworn to before Alexander McKee

they state that they have been down to the court House in
Calvert & that the clerk told them that their mother
& mother's names were recorded there and that they could
get their free papers if they would get a certificate
to be the children of the persons James & Louisa
Harvie which were set free by a certain Mr George Journey

I Certify the Owner of this a black Boy about 22
years of age calling himself Basil Ford is the son of
a woman called Jinny who was set free by my Mother
Mrs Anne Ford and said Boy was born free
August 27 1838

Moses L. Bennett

To the Clerk of P. Geo. County -

I hereby certify that the above named Basil or Basil Ford, was
born of free parents, and is entitled to his papers as such

August 27. 1838

J. M. M. Knew

certificate of
Judson W. M. Knew

filed 29th Aug^r 1838.

Richard Furness
acknowledgment

sd 3rd July 1838.

Trinity Geo County Court

I Richard Turner of said County do hereby certify that a
certain Susan Williams (free colored woman) of said County is the
daughter of Abner Williams, which was legally manumitted by
Ann Turner sometime between the Year 1815. and 1820 and who is
fully entitled to her freedom

acknowledged before

J. W. C. Kinn

Richard Turner

J. W. McKnew
certificate

f. 33? July 1838.

To the
Clerk of Jones Co: County

J. Mathews

Orined Lee County Court

I hereby certify that the person William Mathews was born of
free parents, citizens of said County, and lawfully entitled to his free papers

July 2nd A.D. 1838

J. M. M. M. M.

If the said Mathews was recorded he says some time between the
years 1831 or 32

J. M. M. M.

L. W. M. Knew
Certificate
filed 17th Oct^r
1839

I do by here certify that the Mother Mrs Anne
Lawrence did set free a Negro servants name
each an records are lodged in Melborough of St. the
Bever of this a Boy calling himself Scotch's Lodge
says he is the son of Beck's Lodge one of those
liberated by my Mother before this birth.
August 7 1838
Mary Sherburne

I hereby certify that from evidence of the fact as above
stated I am under the impression that the bearer is the son
of the above named Beck's Lodge one of those manumitted by
Mrs Anne Lawrence

Aug: 7. 1838

J. M. C. K. H. C.

Elija Shorters

{ Letter from

Thos. G. Tyler

Manumission Papers

filed 23^d to Nov. 1840 -

Having been call'd on by Eliza Chapman
(Col. Moman) to assist the ages
of her children (5 in number), I will state
as far as I know.

Niz.

Her Eldest Son (William) — aged —	14
Her Daughter Matilda — — — —	12
Her Son John — — — — — — — —	9
Her Son Sampson — — — — — — — —	7
Her youngest daughter — Jane — —	3

I further state, that this
woman Eliza Chapman was born
Nov. — — — — aged about — — 29

G. H. C. Lyles

Broad Church House

12th Nov. 1840

affidavit of
Benj^r Hall

filed 21st Augt
1841.

State of Maryland Prince Georges County, Set
On this 20th day of August 1841. personally appears
Benjamin Hall before me the subscriber one
of the said States Justices of the peace in and for
said County, and makes oath on the Holy
Evangelys of Almighty God, that negro woman
Barbara Duvall is the daughter of Dinah
Duvall a free woman of colour of the County
and State aforesaid, and that he believes that
said Barbara Duvall was born free —

Sworn to —

Before —

Geo. W. Wilson.

Justice Peace.

Certificate of
affidavit of
Edward G. Willett -
of identification of
Wm. Curtis -

Filed 14. May 1841 -

State of Maryland Precinct George's County 1000

On this 19th day of May in the Year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one person
I fully appear before me the Subscriber a Justice
of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and
for the County of Prince George's Edward Ellett and
make Oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God
that he knew Nelly Curtis the Mother of William
Curtis, and that she was free, and that the
said William Curtis was born free

Given under my hand the day and date
above written,

Thos. Queen
JP

Cut of Thomas
Lowe Identifying
Elizabeth Hoall

pd 6th April 1842

Prince Georges county to wit.
on this 6th April 1842, personally
appeared Thomas Lowe, before the
subscriber a Justice of the Peace
of said county, and made oath on
the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that
negro woman Elizabeth Hall (aged about
twenty years, yellow complexion, about 5
feet 6 or 8 inches high) is a free woman
born woman to his knowledge
and belief.

Sworn before

Geo. W. Wilson (S)
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William B Hoill
affidavits
fd 19th Octo 1842

Maryland - Prince Georges County, Court
on this 19th day of October in the year 1843
personally appeared William B. Mill;
before the subscriber a Justice of
the Peace of said State in and for the
County aforesaid, and made oath on
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that
negro boy Daniel Holland, of light
complexion, about 12 years of age -
Four feet ^{inches} ~~six~~ ^{and a half} ~~high~~ - a scar on the
thumb of his left hand - and his son of
Rachel Holland, who was manumitted by Col Francis
M. Hall of the County aforesaid

Given before

Wm B Mill

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Wm. B. Hall

Maryland —

Prince Georges County - To wit:

On this 22nd day of February, in the year 1842, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, personally appeared Wm P. Hall, and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that, negro man Isaac Duwall, of black complexion, about 22 years of age, five feet 8 or 10 inches high; Negro man William Bragg, of black complexion, about 23 years of age; five feet 6 or 8 inches high; — Negro man Otho Waters, of light complexion, about 24 years of age, ^{about} five feet 3 or 4 inches high; — Negro man Samuel Waters, of light complexion, (and brother to Otho Waters) about 22 years of age; about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high — Negro Woman Amy Thomas (sister of Otho and Samuel Waters) of light complexion, about 21 years of age, five feet 4 or 5 inches high; — and negro Woman Martha Waters (sister of Amy Thomas), of rather dark complexion, about 19 years of age, five feet 4 or 5 inches high — Are each and every of them, to his knowledge and belief free born negroes.

Sworn before

Geo. W. Wilson
J.P.

Geo. S. Webster
Identification
of Capt. Gainer

sd. 5th day of
Sept 1842,

Prince Georges County - To wit:

On this 5th day of September 1822,
personally appeared James G. Webster,
before me, the subscriber, a Justice
of the peace of said County, and made
oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
God that Negro Woman Elizabeth
Gainer, whose maiden name
was Elizabeth Lee, aged about
forty years; a fine foot two and a
half inches high; black complexion,
has a scar on her right arm near
the bend thereof, and one on the
same arm near the wrist; and
another on her left hand near
the fore finger; and one on the
left arm near the bend thereof,
and has a scar on her left cheek.
— was set free on the 12th March,
1810 by her father Lancaster Lee,
and is now a free woman
to his knowledge.

Sworn before Geo. W. Wilson J.P.

Benjamin Hall
affidavit

filed 7. Sept 1842

Prince George's County - to wit:

on this 7th day of September 1842,
personally appeared Benjamin Hall,
before me, the subscriber, a Justice of
the Peace, and made oath on the
Holy Evangel of Almighty God
that negro woman Delitha
Walker, (about 5 foot 3 1/2 inches
high - not very black - 18 years
of age, - has a scar on her left
cheek - and one on ^{the palm of} her left
hand near the wrist. -) is a
free born woman to his
knowledge and belief.

Sworn before

Geo. W. Wilson
J.P.

Prince Georges County - to wit:
on this 7th day of Sept. 1842 - personally
appeared Benjamin Hall before me,
the subscriber a Justice of the Peace
of said County, and made oath on
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God
that Mary Monahan Rachel
Spicer, (about 5 feet $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches
high, black complexion - has a
large scar on her left cheek, occasioned
by a burn, - and ~~one~~ ^{two} on her right
arm between the bend ^{and} elbow
thence, and one on her ~~left~~ ^{right} hand near
the thumb. Also one on her left arm
~~between~~ midway between the bend

and wrist thereof, and one on
her left hand (near the four
finger,) is a free born woman
to his knowledge and belief.
known before

Geo. Wilson (25)
J. W.

13th Sept 1842.

To the Clerk of
St. Louis Court

Witness my hand
at St. Louis
this 10th day of
February 1848

State of Maryland Prince Georges County 2^d

September 17th 1843 Then appeared Richard
Smith of the County and State aforesaid

The Subscriber a Justice of the Peace for

The County aforesaid and he did Oath in the

Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that Jenny

Black and Mary Black now before

me a Justice of the Peace as aforesaid

are the same Person ~~that~~ was man

made by Diligla Duvell deceased

H. H. Sworn Before.

I do not Duvell

J:
James Ford
Certificate of freedom

for the 18th of Apr 1843

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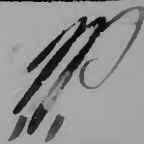
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Maryland, Prince Georges County To Wit, On this Eighteenth day of
April Eighteen Hundred forty three personally appears George
H Hunter before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of
said State in and for the County aforesaid and made oath on
the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that Negro man James
Ford of dark complexion, about Twenty two years of
age about five feet eight & a half inches high, has a
burn on the right wrist & a scar on the right hand thumb
and also a scar above the left eye -
was free born & is entitled to his free papers & was
born & raised in the neighborhood of Piscataway -

Sworn before

Geo. W. Wilson

"



.. Certificate
of Philemon Chew

fd 24th Feby

1843

Maryland, Prince Georges County 10th 17th. On the twenty-
fourth day of February Eighteen Hundred forty three personally
appeared Priscilla before me the undersigned a Justice
of the Peace of said State in and for the County aforesaid
and made Oath on the Holy Evangelys, solemnly to God that
Negro Girl Missy Blacklock of dark ^{skin} ~~complexion~~
complexion, about 15 years of age, about ^{five} feet 4 inches
high, ~~was~~ ^{is} person of is entitled to her free Papers, & was
born of parents in the vicinity of Upper Marlboro -

Geo. Wilson
No 21.

Account of
Ch. W. W. and
the 13th Army 1843.

Piscataway 12th Jan'y 1843

I here by certify, that I have known
the bearer of this - James Barton, from
his infancy; & that he was always reputed, &
considered, by every person, to be the son
of Charlotte Barton, A free Borne woman
of this village, who is still living; & recog-
nized as such - & although, I cannot
swear positively, that the said James,
is the son, of the said Charlotte - not
being present at his birth) yet I have
not the least doubt but he is - & I
am quite sure, no other person acq-
-ainted with the parties has. I believe him
to be about 21-years old - John W. Ward

On this 12th Jan 1843. before me the
subscriber a justice of the peace of the
County of Prince Geo County personally appeared
John W. Ward and made oath on the Holy
Evangel of Almighty God that the above
statement is just & true, to the best of his knowledge
& belief. Sworn before H. D. Dyson

State of Maryland Prince Georges County Jc^{ts}

On this 7th day of October in the year
eighteen hundred and forty four before the subscriber
a justice of the Peace for the county and state aforesaid
personally appears Richard Prather of said county and
in presence of the holy evangelist of Almighty God
that he has been acquainted with William Gallaway
who is now about twenty three or four years of age
of a swarthy complexion has a scar on the left side
of his face near his eye for about fifteen years
past during all of which time he has to the know-
ledge of this deponent been invariably recognized
and considered as free born. This deponent further
promises oath that ever since his acquaintance
with the said Gallaway he has been reputed and
considered to be the son of Rachel Gallaway
who died about ten years since and who
this deponent knew for about twenty years previous
to her death as a free woman of color —

Sworn before

Brigs & Lowndes J.P.

Partners of
The Company of
London

To the Hon. Secy of the Admiralty

State of Maryland Prince Georges County Feb

On this 9th day of October in
the year eighteen hundred and forty four before the
undersigned a justice of the peace for the county and
state aforesaid personally appears Rochester Gallaway
a free man of colour of said county and on oath
sworn on the holy evangelists of Almighty God that
he is the father of William Gallaway who was
born on the 21st day of August in the year eighteen
hundred and twenty and that he was free born.
Said William Gallaway is of a swarthy complexion
has a scar on the left side of his face near his eye
and is the son of Rachel Gallaway the wife of
Thomas Gwynne who was a free born swarthy and
blind about ten years since.

Subscribed

Wm. D. Lowndes J.P.

Certificate of
Identity of Negro
Henry

1820

1844

1812

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May and June Sevier County do
Do it remembered that on this fifteenth day of
April Eighteen hundred and forty four person-
ally appeared Richard W. Manning before me
the subscribed Justice of the peace in and for
said County and made oath in the Holy Evan-
gely of Almighty God that Negro Hannah who is
traced and described in a deed of purchase
taken from Vincent Hollyday on the nineteenth
day of July Eighteen hundred and twenty is the
identical person,

Sworn before

Thos. Bruce

Portrait of
Nancy Lee by
Chas. W. Perkins

Jan 31st Feb 1844

Prince George's County - State of Maryland
To wit:

I certify that on the 21st day of February
in the year 1844, personally appeared
before me a Justice of the Peace of said County,
John W. Perkins, and made oath on
the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that
Negro Woman Nancy Lee, aged about
thirty-eight years, of dark complexion,
about five feet high, is the same
Negro woman purchased by her
father Lancaster Lee, from G. Swarth
Bayne, as of record appears -

In witness whereof

Geo W Wilson

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State of Maryland Prince Georges County to wit: -

On this 13th day of August
eighteen hundred and forty four before the subscriber
a justice of the Peace for the county and state aforesaid
personally appears Sarah Banton of said county
mother of Louisa Banton of said county and makes
oath in the holy evangelists of Almighty God that
she the said Sarah Banton was manumitted
by William Clarke of Talbot County in the said State
on the ninth day of May 1815. That she the said
Sarah is the mother of the said Louisa Banton
that the said Louisa was born on the 22^d of August
1815 and that she is free born -

Sworn before

Hanson Penn
" "

I Hanson being a Justice of the Peace for Prince
George County and State of Maryland do hereby
certify that I have been acquainted with the
within mentioned negroes ever since the year
1827 - ~~and~~ that since that time they have
been recognized and considered as free and that
it is the general reputation of the neighbors
in which they live that the said negroes are
free - I have under my hand this 13th day
of July 1844.

Identified of
Larion Bantou

J. W. A. J. J. J.
M. H.

Hanson being
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Affidavit of
John W. Thomas

filed 2 March 1874

In this 2^d day of March 1844. personally
appeared John W. Thomas. before me the subscriber
one of the State of Maryland, Justice of the peace
in and for said County, and makes oath on
the Holy Evangelys of Almighty God, that he
knows John Curtis, who is the son of one
Matilda Curtis, to be a free born person
and has known him for some time past.

Sworn before.

Geo. W. Wilson
J.P.

Slavery of Negro
Joseph Bence by
Sam. C. Snowden

St. New York 1815

Maryland Prince Georges County Oct.
On this fourth day of November 1845. Came
Samuel C. Snowden before me the Subscriber
one of the Justices of the peace of the County
aforesaid. and solemnly and sincerely affirmed,
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God,
that Joseph Beall. Negro Man, about twenty
five years of age is a free man, and was
born in this.

J. B. B. B. B.

Applicant of
Wm H Piles
of County of
Marion Hill Taylor

Filed 14 Aug 1880.

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
Sherriff's Office On this 19th day of August 1845
personally appears William H. Piles before
me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and
for said County, and made oath on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God, that negro man
Dennis Hall, aged about 21 years of age,
is the identical negro man mentioned in
a deed of manumission from Elizabeth Hawkins
to negro Matilda & others, dated the 25th day
of February 1831, and recorded in the Clerk's
office of P. G. County.

Sworn before

Wm. H. Piles Justice

Affidavit of
John R. Baden
of Identity of
Cresy Curtis

Filed 25 Aug 1845

Prince George's M.C.

1845 July 1st This is to certify that Cusey Curtis
the bearer of this about twenty six years old was
free born. his Mother is wife to My servant Osborne
I have seen her free papers frequently and they
are dated Oct-1808 about fourteen years before the
"bear" was born. and will be found recorded in
Calvert County records. In testimony whereof I do
hereunto subscribe my name

Robt Thomson

N B Cusey has three children to wit-

Martha Ann aged about five }
John aged about three } years
Calvinus aged about one }

Prince George's County Sch.

On this 25th day of August 1845. Came before
me one of the Justices of the peace
in and for the County aforesaid, John R
Baden. and made oath on the Holy Scriptures
by of Almighty God that the above certificate
is true & true as stated to the best of his knowl-
edge and belief

Given before

J. R. Baden

N^o 22

Method Manning

05 } affr

A. Palmer

18th Apr. 1840

State of Maryland

I am Geo. Henry Court
Do & remember that on this sixteenth day of April
1845 before me the Subscribes a justice of the
peace of the State of Maryland personally appears
Martha Manning & makes oath on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God that she did not
hear or know until after the trial of
the case of Manning v. Palmer in I was
Geo. Court at this time in what ^{case} said
Subscribes was plaintiff, that Eli S. Palmer
could give any evidence material to the issue
in said case & ~~that she did not know~~
~~that he~~ sworn but

J. M. Ward

Identity of W. H. C. &
South as the person
by A. G. Robinson

for W. H. C. & Co. 1848.

Prince George's County D. C.
on this 14th day 1845 personally appeared
Jefred G. Hutchinson before me
Justice of the Peace of said county and made
oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God
that negro man William Mount Booth, is the
son of Hellen Booth and that the said Hellen
Booth was a free negro woman at the time
of giving birth to the said Wm. Booth

Sworn before

Geo W Wilson

W

apl 6th 1846.

Negro Woman Maria was set free by deed of
manumission, ^{made} by Clement Hollyday in the year
1820. James E. S. Hollyday

J. W. B. Trice Clerk S. G. Co. court.

Identity of negro
Memorandum by
C. L. Bowie

Ed 7th April 1846

State of Maryland Prince George's County
to wit:

On this seventh day of April in the year
of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty six,
before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices
of the peace, in and for the State and County
aforesaid, personally appeared Edward S. Serrie
and made oath on the Holy Evangelys of
Almighty God, that Negro Maria is the ident-
ical person who is named and described in a
certain deed of manumission from Clement Holliday
to Negro Isaac and others, filed and recorded in
Liber A. B. Number One, folio three hundred
and eighty to the best of his knowledge and
belief

Sworn before J. B. Cross, J. P. Seal

John B Brooke Esq

Upper Marlboro

Lancaster Pa. Aug 19/46

Mr John B. Brock

Sir -

The bearer of this
William Donaldson is the boy
set free by Mrs E W Snowden.
He wishes to get his free papers
By reference to the record
you will find his name among
others freed by Mrs E W S. Mr
Charles Hill will probably certify
further to his being the man should
it be found necessary.

Yours Very Resp
H. Capron

Identity of Neys.
Dane. Maryland
Search by
H. B. Pease

Vol. 14. Apr. 1846.

State of Maryland, Prince George's County, to wit:

Be it remembered that on this fourteenth day of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty six, personally appeared before me the subscriber, one of the Justices of the peace in and for the State aforesaid, Thomas Ball and made oath in the Holy Evangelly of Almighty God that the three negroes, vizt. Isaac, Sarah and Mary are the identical persons set free and manumitted by Elizabeth Snowden, and recorded in Liber A.B. N. 11, folio 604 in the Clerk's office of Prince George's County, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn before

J. B. Cross, J. P. Seal

Identity of G. H.
Lodge by G. H. of
G. H.

Apr 13th 1860

State of Maryland, Prince George's County, to wit:
Be it remembered that on this thirteenth day of
of April in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred
and forty six, before me the subscriber one of the Justices
of the State and County aforesaid, appeared John J.
Drury and made oath on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty
God that the negro children, the increase of Negro
Woman Nancy, viz: William aged eighteen years,
Thomas Henry aged five years, Fanny Ann aged four
years, John aged three years and Kitty aged two
years, that the foregoing negroes was manumitted
and set free by Margaret Murdock on the fifth
day of April Eighteen hundred and twenty one, to
the best of his Knowledge and belief.

Sworn before

J. B. Cross, J. P. Seal

This woman Luky Bacon was liberated by my mother
Mrs Elizabeth W Snowden September 1840.

W^m Chas Hill
September 28th 1843

Identity of
Nepo Turkey Record
by Dr. Ch. Hill

Feb 2. June 1846.

Emily Bird's
cert. of identification
of Susan Bowie

Filed 15 June 1847.

I do hereby Certify the bearer of this to be
the Abalatta, Girl Susan Maria, whom I measured
at the age of sixteen & as she has now arrived
to that age. & wishes to leave the Society, I will
thank Mr. Brock, to attend to her Business, for her
& give her such papers, as will intitle her to her
freedom, ever, respectfully,
Emily Bird

June 6th 1847

D^r Charles Bowers
cert. of identification
of Susan Bower

Filed 15th June 1847

John A. Bowers Esq

Dear Sir,

This will be handed
to you by Maria, she is the
mother of the mulatto girl
Susan for whom I wish
to obtain her manumission
papers. Susan was liberated
by her mistress Emata Sevale
(now Mrs. Bird) yo. most respectfully

May 17. 1847

Charles Brown

Identity of
Adolphus Davis

by

C. C. Warner

Feb 13th Aug 1848.

Maryland - Prince George's County - To wit:

On this 19th August 1848, personally appeared
Overton C. Warner, and made oath, in the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that the
grocery Adolphus Davis, aged twenty-one
years, of light complexion, is the ^{legi-}
timate son of Mary Davis a white
woman - and that he believes the
said Adolphus Davis was born free
sworn before

Geo: Wilson
"1848"

Identity of
Thos. Sulamy

by

George Norton

of 11th April 1829

Maryland Prince Georges County. Pch

On this 4 day of April 1849 personally appears
before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for
the County aforesaid George Morison and Walter A. L. M.
the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he knows
Thomas ^{to be} ~~the~~ ^{Peggy} ~~son~~ ^{of} ~~Edward~~ ^{Dulaney}
a free woman of colour to the best of his knowledge
(and belief.

Sworn Before

W. A. Dwyer
J. P.

about 21 years of age a scar across his nose and
the thumb of the right hand off caused by the
biting of a dog born & raised in the neighborhood
of Woodville P. E. C. Md

Identity of Paper
Mining Area
by Alexander M. K.

July 7th June 1884

Prince Geo Caspary - do wit:

On this 9th June 1849, personally appeared Alexander McKee before the subscribers, a Justice of the Peace of said County, and made oath on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty God that negro Mary Ann Casey, formerly Mary Ann Garrison, is a free born woman. The daughter of Lucy and James Garrison, free persons of color - to the best of his knowledge and belief. Sworn before

Geo. McKee J.P.

Identity of
Hansen Magruder
Raney Rammest
Louisa Adderis

P. 30th Aug 1829

by John H. Beal

Maryland Potomac George County Point
Cuthis 30th day of August 1829. personally
appeared John H. Beal before the Subscribers &
Justices of the Peace in and for the said and
County aforesaid, and made oath on the
Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that negro
John Hannah Maguire and Nancy Lemmes,
and Louisa Addiew are free persons of Color
and he and entitled to their freedom by virtue
of their being the reputed son & daughters of
~~John Maguire~~ Matilda Maguire who was
a free woman of Color to the best of his
knowledge and belief. Sworn before

Geo. Morrison

J.P.

Identify if
Frank Butler 1830

For Mr. May 1830

May 22nd 1850

Maryland Prince Georges County
I hereby certify that Elenor Butler the
mother of the following named negroes ^{was}
the daughter of Phillis Butler ^{a free woman} I have
known Elenor for between forty and
fifty years, the following named are
her children and wish to get their free
papers - John William - Sarah -
Samuel Thomas, Reusby, Mary
Ann Phillis, Dicandia, Elizabeth,
To Mr B. Brooke Esq. }
Clerk P.G. County } Geo. Morton

Maryland Prince Georges County
I hereby certify that I have known
Elenor Butler mentioned in the above
certificate since the year 1827 and
that she has passed as free and known
to be free by all who know her those
mentioned in Mr. Mortons certificate
as her children, ~~and~~ are hers
and wish to get their free papers
I also knew Phillis Butler her mother
from the time mentioned to her death
as a free woman.

To Mr B. Brooke Esq
Clerk P.G. County

Wm Hall
May 22nd 1850

Identity of
Negroes Benjamin
Norman Ford and
John Henry Ford
by Samuel C. Moran

Filed 31st July 1857

To
Mr John B Brooke
Sheriff of Prince
George County
Va

Mr John B Brooks

I here by certify that Thoses Two Boys
Benjamin Thomas Ford, and John Henry
Ford are free and was born free
Benjamin Thomas Ford, is the son
of Rebecca Ford, and he is about
of twenty Two years of age John Henry
Ford is the son of Jane Ford, he
is between Twenty one and Twenty
Two years of age, in there possission
you will find there Mothers free
papers which will be more satisfa-
ctory to you -

Samuel C Moran
Charles County Maryland

July 30. 1830

Identity of
Nepo Carolin West
by Rich. S. Mill Esq.

18th July 1830.

Maryland 1st District, District
On this 11th day of July, 1830. Came before me
the undersigned Richard S. McCoy, and made
Oath on the Holy Gospels of Almighty God
that negro woman Cornelia West is a free,
woman of Color, and is entitled to her freedom
by virtue of her being the reputed daughter of
Larina West who is also a ~~man~~ free woman
of Color, given under my hand this day and
date above written.

J. S. [Signature] J. P.

by Wm. Walton

Sept 17 Augt 1850

do hereby Certify that James Ford in his twenty
the year and Thomas Ford in his
the fourth year is sons of Sarah
who was born free and have all
the lived in this neighbour hood
given under my hand this
11 July 1857

Geo. Norton

Identity of Negro
Woman & Amelia
Franklin by
Amos Carrick

Filed 22^d Aug. 1850

To the Clerk of said George County Court
Shirley certifies that Amelia Franklin a colored
woman about sixteen years of age is a free woman
as she is the daughter of Margaret Franklin who was
born free

Amos Barlow

Aug. 22^d 1851

Identity of Osgood
David Thomas and
Killy by
Rich. Carrick

6th Sept 1862

Maryland Prince Georges County Sch
On this 6th day of September 1832
personally appeared Richard Carick
before the subscriber a Justice of the
peace in and for said County
and make oath on the Holy Evangelly
of almighty that negro Isaac Duckitt
~~Age about 28 years~~
about 26 years and Kitty Duckitt age
about 24 years were Born free

Sworn before
Jno R Walker J.P.

Isaac 5/6/2 small scar on the left side of the face
Nurman 5/1/2 " " " " right wrist
Kitty 5/3/2 " " " " knuckle of 3^d finger of left hand

Negro Mary Booth
for freedom

1853

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
on this 2nd day of November 1853 Personally
appeared Stephen B Ward before me
one of the Justices of the Peace in and for
the State and County aforesaid and made
oath on the holy Evangel of almighty
God that Mary Booth the daughter of
Henry and Annally Booth is a free born
Woman ~~that~~ and that she is a native of
Maryland, the said Mary Booth of light
colour is eighteen years of age well
made about five feet high Given under
my hand and seal the day and year
above written

Sworn before
John I. Lambert, J. C.

My Report

Dear Sir,

The burden of this certificate is unnecessary
when the papers are filed as she is a woman
and to act upon will be a charge by
attending to this matter for her the
day you take charge

Stephen B. Ward

Nov 2 1853

VI

Negro Sam Patton
freedom

27 July 1853

Wm
Wm

State of Maryland Prince George County
On this 27 day of July 1853, Personally appears before
me the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the said State
in and for said County, John B Sansbury and made
oath on the Holy Evangelly of almighty God that Daniel
Batson, a black man, is a free born person, and is
the reputed Son of Nancy Batson a free woman of
colour, the said Daniel Batson was born and raised
in Piscataway District in the County and State aforesaid

Sworn to before

John B Walker J.P.

Thomas

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Negro
John Henry Chase
for freedom

Maryland Prince George County, Md.
On this 5th October 1853 personally appears
Theodore M Williams before me the subscriber
a Justice of the peace of the said State in and for
Prince George County and made oath on the
Holy Evangelly of Almighty God that John Henry
Chase and Martha Ann Chase are free born
persons and is the reputed children of Sarah
Chase who became entitled to her freedom
by virtue of the last will & testament of
Henderson Magruder late of said
County deceased -

Sworn to before
M. W. Saubrey J.P.

Ann Maria Biscoe

for freedom

June 10 1834

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
 On this 10 day June 1854 personally
 appeared James ES Hollyday before me
 the Subscribed Justice of the peace
 in and for said County and made oath
 on the Holy Evangelly of almighty God that
 he knows the women Deane Biscoe ^{about 20 years of age} and Maria
 Biscoe ^{about 17 years of age} to be the children of Maria Biscoe
 who was free at the time of their birth
 sworn before

Geo R Walker J. P.

State of Maryland Prince Georges County (Loid
I hereby Certify that Stephen B Ward Esq appeared
before me the subscriber One of the Justices of the
Peace in and for the said County - and made Oath
on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty God, That Negro
Horace Boothe - Being born in his immediate neigh-
-borhood and of free parents and is therefore
entitled to receive papers from the County
Clerk to that effect - The said Negro is about
23 years of age 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high
and of a Copper Colour

Given under my
Hand and seal this 2nd day of Aug^r 1853

Joel Hutton

J. P. Seal

Stephen B. Ward
affid^t

Negro man

Horace Bertha

1st August 4 1855

Edward H. Calvert

afft

Negro man

no Richd Beck

Filed 9 April 1855-

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
On this 1st day of April 1855 personally appears
Edward H. Calvert before me the subscriber a
Justice of the Peace of the said State, in & for said County
and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
that Negro man John Richard Peck is a free born
person and is the reputed son of Harrietta Peck
a free woman of colour

Sworn to before
E. C. Warner J.P.

Rosenkripping

Im Hauptstad
entfesselt

File 13 No 27856

State of Maryland

Prince Georges County To Wit

On this 5th day of December 1856 before
me a Justice of the peace in and for
said county, Personally appeared
James Taylor of James and makes
oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty
God, that Robert Spriggs aged
Twenty One years was born free, and
is well known to the aforesaid James Taylor
he is about 5 feet 7 inches high, dark
complexion and slender made, and
now makes application for his
free papers - according to the act of
the Legislature Assembly in such case
made and provided

To the Clerk of Fielder W Greer JP
C C of Prince Georges County

The above named Robert Spriggs was raised by the
subscriber born on his farm, and bound to him
to serve until he was twenty one years of age
as the Records of the orphan's court of said P^g County,
will show.

James Taylor of Pa^r

Mr. Lewis Butler

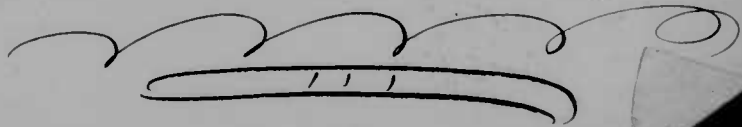
Identified by
Mr. B. Adams

Filed 27 Apr 1887

State of Maryland Prince Georges County.

I hereby certify that on this
Twenty third day of April eighteen hundred and fifty
seven before me the subscriber one of the justices of
the peace in and for the said County and state
personally appeared John B. Adams of the said County
and made Oath on the Holy Evangelys of
Almighty God that John Lewis Buttler is the
son of Ann Buttler a free Coloured woman
of the said County, and was free born and
is entitled to his free papers. witness my hand
the day and year first before written

Fielder W. Green Justice of the Peace



Affidavit of
Eugenius F. Edelen
for

James Thomas Ford
Newspaper

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Filed 8 April 1837

State of Maryland Prince Georges County.

I hereby certify that on this 7th day of
March in the year 1857 before me the subscribed
one of the justices of the Peace in and for the said
County and state personally appeared Eugenius
H Edelin of Charles County and made oath on the
Holy Evangelys of Almighty God that James Thomas
Ford the son of Nancy Ford was free born and
is entitled to his free papers witness my hand the
day and year first written

Fielder W Greer

John Wilson
affiant
Near Charles
Henry Taylor
Sept 15th 1857

State of Maryland Prince Georges County,
I hereby certify that on this 11th day of May
eighteen hundred and fifty seven before me the subscri-
ber one of the justices of the peace in and for the
said County and state. personally appeared John J-
Wilson and made oath on the Holy Evangelys
of Almighty God that Charles Henry Taylor the
son of Rachel Taylor a free coloured woman
of the said County, was free born and is entitled
to his free papers. the said Charles Henry is about
twenty seven years of age. witness my hand
the day and year first before written

Fielder W Bree Justice of the Peace

State of New York
I hereby certify that on the 25th day of February
before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the
Peace in and for said County, personally appeared
me B. C. Crockett and made oath in the
presence of Almighty God that James
Curtis aged about 23 years with a large scar on
the left side of his abdomen just above the navel
caused by a burn, is the son of Ann Curtis a
free born coloured woman and that he is en-
titled to his free papers. witness my hand the
day and year above written
Sworn before, Fielder W. Greed Justice of the Peace

Curtis
affidavit of
The Berneycroft

Filed 20th Feb 1857

Negroes
Sarah Ann
Louisa Chase
affidavit of
Theodore Williams

Filed 17 August 1857

State of Maryland ²⁷ Prince George County
On this 14 day of August 1854 Personally appeared
before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of
the said State & County ~~Theodore M. Williams~~ &
made oath on the Holy Evangelly of almighty God
that negroes Mary ^{Ann} & Louisa Chase
Sarah Chase _____ who was
set free by the last will & testament of Henderson
Magruder late of said County deceased

Sworn to before

C. R. Benson J.P.

Henry Wm Davis
711 Canal Street

Att'd. of
Thos M. B. B. B.

Feb 12th June 1837

State of Maryland Prince Georges County Sch

On this 12th day of April Anno Domini 1859 personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the said State in and for said County - Thomas M. D. Baden and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God, ^{that} Jerry Davis William Davis and Maria Harper the first named about 31 years of age the second about 25 and the last named about Twenty Five years of age, and the reputed children of Lucy Davis a free woman of colour, and were born and raised in the neighbourhood of Horse Head in Aquasco District in said County & state

Sworn to before -

J. M. D.

A. D.

Robert G. [unclear]
affidavit

Wm Evans &

Ann Sorrenet

Filed 30 Oct 1860

State of Maryland Innee ~~George~~ County
On this 30 of October 1860 personally appears before me
subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the said State &
County Robert G. Pendall and makes oath on the Holy
Gangelys of Almighty God that William Evans was
born free and is the reputed son of Mary Stuart a
free woman who became entitled to her freedom in Virtue
of the Will of a Wm. Sutherland of Anne Arundel County
said State & also that ^{Sarah Ellen} Ann Scrivener was born free and
the reputed daughter of Ann Scrivener a free woman
of colour who ~~was the last will and testament of~~ ^{became entitled to her freedom in virtue of a will}
of ~~the last will and testament of~~ ^{of} William Sutherland of
Calvert County - the said William Evans &
Ann Scrivener were born & raised in Anne Arundel County.

Done the 5th of Oct 23/4 In Sworn to before
Fielder J. J. P.

1860

Robert Gray
Affidavit
of
Eleanor H. Harvey

Filed 31 Jan'y 1860

5 feet 10

Scar on left wrist Scar between eyes
near the left - Small scar in forehead
right on ankle leg } & 1 left leg burned

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1859	1855
1836	1832
<u>23</u>	<u>5</u>

Chs J Muddelm
To ~~Mr~~ A Justice Esqr Sir Robert Gray the bearer
of this is free born. his mother Matilda Gray, who
was purchased by my Father James Harvey, from
the Estate of the late Martha Cox, and to serve
for a certain time by her last will and testament
and the said Matilda did serve her time out
and the aforesaid Robert was born after his
mother (Matilda Gray) become free. ~~He~~
he is about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high and has
a scar on his left ankle from a burn and a
small scar in his forehead and one on his right
wrist occasioned by the cut of scythe. I send you
this for the purpose of his obtaining his free paper
which he is entitled to. Eleanor G. Harvey

The above annexed, was sworn to and subscribed
before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the
State of Maryland in and for Prince Georges County
this 28th day of January in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and Sixty
and that the said Robert Gray was born July 2^d 1836
Sworn before E. Connick J.P.

1862

Affiant of
Jeremiah Mullikin

To

Noratio Dyer's
Freedom

Filed 25 June 1862

State of Maryland, Prince Georges County Sch:
On this 25th day of June 1812 personally appeared
Jeremiah Mullikin and made oath on the Holy
Evangelij of Almighty God that Horatio Dyer a free
man of color, the reputed son of Ellen Dyer a
free woman was born free.

Sworn before

J. L. Ghiselin J. P.

1862

Affiant of
Jeremiah Mullikin

In

Noratio Dyer's
Freedom

Filed 25 June 1862