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Doniel Norris

1 Slave

To be returned
May 22^d 1828 - allow -
for one slave taken from
V^a @ 200 Int. received

15th Mar: 1828

Taking proved.

Port Tobacco August the 22nd 1824
To the Hon. John D. Adams Esq.

Sir

I send you enclosed the affidavit
of Daniel Hays of Charles County in the State of Ma-
ryland concerning his loss of a slave during the late
War; which slave having gone to the British force
in the Potomac in the year 1814 induces him to
hope that he may be entitled to recover the value
of the slave under the provisions of the treaty
of Ghent which provides for that object.

If it be not too late when this letter shall
be received at the department of State Mr Hays
wishes his claim to be made and his affidavit
placed so that they may at the proper time be
laid before the Commissioners appointed under
the Russian Mediation and award.

Yours with
high consideration

Henry Ashton

P.S. Mr Hays intends that I should act as his agent
and attorney in the exhibition of his claim

(H. A.)

Port J. m^d
Aug 22

free

Hon. John L. Adams Esq.
Secretary of State

To the particular
attention of R. Forrest Esq.

City of Washington
District of Columbia

Slaves
D. D.
Norris Daniel

Ashley Henry
Poultacco, 22 Aug 1824
Recd 23.

Slaves of Daniel Norris.

1 Slave - Gerard \$950.
oath of claimant.

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Charles County State of Maryland to wit Febth 14 1828

The Deposition of Hendly Povey of ~~the~~ Said County aged 30 years, who being first duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God

Deposeth and Says that he was well acquainted with Negro Guard the property of the Late Daniel Nouns of Said County Dec^d, Guard was a likely negro man of a but the age of from Twenty to Twenty five years old when he was missing which was some time in Aug^r 1814 when the British fleet was in the waters of the Potomac River near Sandy Point in Said County and that it was always supposed he had gone on Board the British at that time, and that ^{he} never knew any other name for him but Nouns Guard - Sworn before - Just. A. Adams

Charles County to wit Febth 15 - 1828

The Deposition of Basil Brauner aged 29 years who being first duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth and Says that ^{he} had been acquainted with Negro Guard the property of the Late Daniel Nouns of Said County Dec^d from being a child till he went away that he was a very near neighbour to the Said Nouns ~~farm~~ at that time which was in the year 1814 when the British forces was in the waters of the Potomac near Sandy Point in Said County, and near the Farm of Said Nouns - that he Guard was an able bodied man of Twenty to Twenty five years of age when he was missing in the year 1814 and has never heard of him since But it has always been supposed he went on Board the British fleet at that time, he further Says he never heard any other name but Nouns Guard and further he say not - Sworn before Just. A. Adams

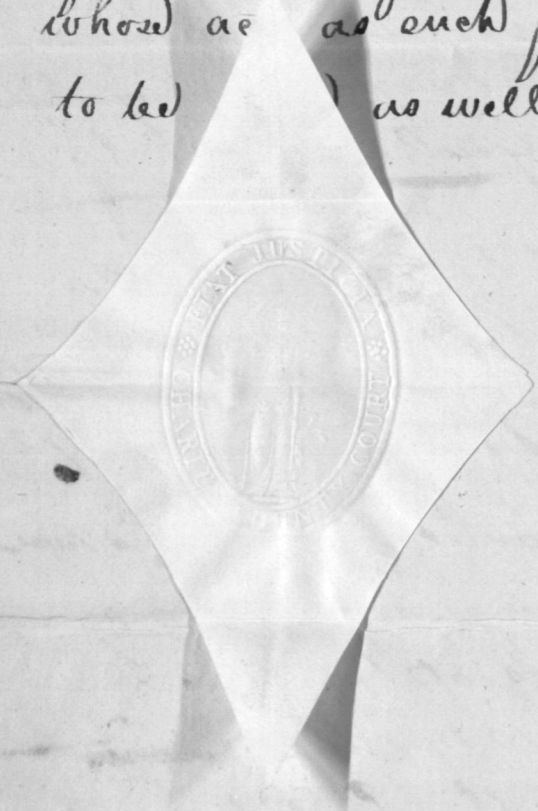
Charles County to wit Febth 16 1828

The Deposition of Thomas Carpenter aged 30 years - who being first duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Deposeth and Says that from a child he has been acquainted with Negro Guard the property of the Late Daniel Nouns Late of Charles County Dec^d - and a near neighbour - that he Guard was a likely able bodied man of a bout Twenty or Twenty five years of age when missing in the year 1814 at the Time when the British forces was in the waters of the Potomac River near Sandy Point and near the farm of Said Nouns and has not been heard off since and that it has always been Believed he went on Board the British fleet at that Time - and that he Guard was always called and known By the name of Nouns Guard and never knew any other name - Sworn before - Just. A. Adams

State of Maryland Charles County to wit Febth 16 1828

The Deposition of Cap^t Alexander Gray of Said County aged 39 years - who being first duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God - Deposeth and Says that he lived near Daniel Nouns and near Sandy point - that he was well acquainted ^{with} Negro Guard the property of Said Nouns at the time he Guard was missing in the year 1814 when ~~Guard was missing and at what time~~ the British forces was in the waters of Potomac River near that place Guard was an able bodied man of about Twenty or Twenty one years of age at that time he has never been heard of since but always supposed to have gone on board the British - and is still his Belief he never heard of any other name Nouns Guard - Sworn before - Just. A. Adams

State of Maryland Charles County. Secy
I hereby certify that Gustavus A. Adams Gentleman
before whom the within and foregoing depositions
were taken and whose name is thereto subscribed
was at the time of the taking and subscribing the
same and still is one of the State of Maryland
Justices of the peace in and for Charles County
aforesaid duly commissioned and sworn, and to all
whom as such full faith and credit is and ought
to be given as well in Courts of Justice as thereout.



In Testimony whereof I have
hereto subscribed my name and
affixed the seal of Charles County
Court this twentieth day of
February in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight
hundred and twenty eight.

John V. Barnes Clerk of
Charles County Court

Daniel Harris

Edwards

State of Maryland, Charles County to-wit.

On this twentieth day of August in the year
of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty four
personally appears Daniel Davis of Charles County
oppressor before the subscriber one of the Justices
of the peace of the state of Maryland in and
for Charles County and makes oath on the holy
Evangel of Almighty God that on or about the
twenty eighth day of August in the year eight-
teen hundred and fourteen he was in pos-
session in his own proper right of a negro slave
named Quince about the age of twenty eight
or twenty nine years of the value at that time
of nine hundred and fifty dollars current money
of the United States. That at or about the said twenty
eighth day of August the said negro slave left
his service and fled to the British Fleet
then in the waters of the Potomac River and
that he has never seen or heard from the said
negro slave since that time; and he believes that
the said negro slave embarked on board the said
fleet from a place on said River called Sandy
Point.

Daniel Davis

Acknowledged and sworn to before me

John Chapman

State of Maryland Charles County, Sec. 5.
I hereby certify that John B. Layman Justice
before whom the within affidavit appears to have
been made, and whose name is thereto subscri-
bed was at the time of making and subscribing
the same, and still is, one of the State of
Maryland Justices of the Peace in and for
the County aforesaid, duly commissioned and
sworn, and to all whose acts as such full
faith and credit is and ought to be given
as well in Courts of Justice, as therout.

In Testimony whereof I have
hereto subscribed my name I
affixed the seal of Charles
County Court this 20 day of
August Eighteen hundred and
twenty four.

John Barnes Clerk of
Charles County Court