

Prince Georges County State of Maryland
to wit.

On this 26th day of November 1824. Personally appears be-
-fore me a Justice of the ~~of said~~ county Henry J^r
Thorn and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of
Almighty God, that Mrs Mary Moulton had
a negro man named Peter Johnson, whom he
believes went to the British squadron whilst they
were in the Potomac, and that he said Mary did go
to Alexandria whilst the fleet laid opposite there to
to get her man and he recollects perfectly to have
heard her say she believed she would have got him
as Lieut. Robert of the fleet under the command of
Cap^t Gorder promised to return him to her, but for
two of our naval officers having laid violent
hands on some of the officers of fleet which made
a considerable bustle and every body run off
and the officers returned to the fleet.

I was before

Robert W. Hays

Slaves - Maryland
Moreland Mary
1 Slave - Peter Johnson -
2. Depositions

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Moreland Elizabeth
Ex. te. filed June 30.

District of Columbia County of Wash. D.C.

Be it remembered that on this
14th day of ~~the~~ June 1828 personally appears
John G. Lindsay before the subscriber
a Justice of the Peace in and for the
County aforesaid & makes oath on the
Holy Evangelij of Almighty God that he
was acquainted with Mr. May Moreland
Negro Man Peter Johnson. and that whilst
the British had possession of Alexandria ^{in the District of}
in August in the Year 1814 he this Deponent
was in Alexandria and saw Mr. Moreland
Man Peter with the British, and under
their direction, that he conversed with
Peter and tried to force him to go home
but could not succeed - Peter was then
with in company with Doct. Dangerfield
Man from the same neighbourhood, this
Deponent knew them both well, he
having been raised in that neighbourhood

Sworn to before Wm. Smith

District of Columbia Jct.

I, William Brent Clerk of
the Circuit Court of the District of
Columbia for the County of Washington
hereby certify that William Hewitt
Esqr whose name is signed to them, was
at the time of signing the same, and still
is a Justice of the Peace in and for the said
County, duly Commissioned and Sworn—

In Testimony whereof I hereto set
my hand and affix the Seal
of the said Court at the City
of Washington this fourteenth day
of June A.D. 1838—

Wm Brent, Clerk
Ct. Dist. of Col.
for the County of
Washington



Maryland. Prince Georges County, to Wlct.

On this ^{Eleventh} ~~fourth~~ day of November, in the year of
our Lord, eighteen hundred and twenty four, before
me the subscriber, a Justice of the peace in and for said
County, and being sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty
God, deposes and says, that in August 1814 a
British Squadron lay in the Potomac River, nearly
opposite Alexandria, when a number of Slaves of
the neighbourhood suddenly disappeared, and
amongst them, a negro man named Peter, the
property of Mary Moulton; that he is a near
neighbour to the said Mary Moulton, and was
well acquainted with the said Peter, and believes
him to be worth at that time, the sum of ~~the~~ three
hundred dollars - and further this deponent saith
not - Witness my hand -

Horatio Moore

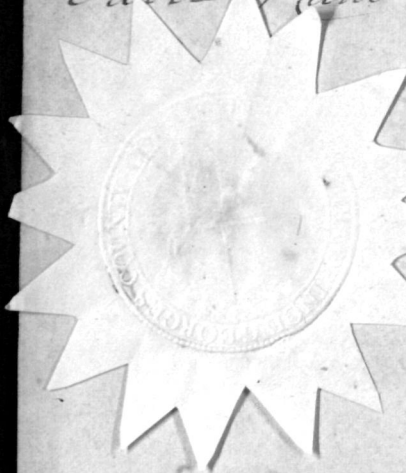
State of Maryland } This day, personally appeared before
Prince Georges County } me, a Justice of the peace for
Prince Georges County, State of

Maryland, John Sandisy of said County, and State - &
made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God, that
in the month of August 1814, when the British Squadron
under the Command of Captain Gordon lay before the
Town of Alexandria, that he the said Sandisy went to
the said Town of Alexandria, where he saw negro Peter
Johnson whom he well knew to be the property of
Mrs Mary Moreland of said County of Prince Georges
with the English Troops and Sailors, at the Tobacco Ware-
-house, engaged with them taking off Tobacco, and
moving backwards and forwards to and from one of
the British Vessels, in her long-boat, and that he has never
seen or heard of him since. & verily believes, that
the said Slave, Peter, went off with the said British
Squadron. He further deposes, that he resides in
the immediate neighborhood of the said Mrs
Moreland

Monkland, and is very certain, that if the said
Seane had ever returned to her, he would have
known of it. Sworn to and subscribed by said
John Lindsey ~~in presence~~ before me this fourth
day of March 1828. John Lindsey
No. Manham

State of Maryland Prince Georges County
I hereby certify that George Manham
gentleman before whom the above acknowledgment
was made and whose name is thereto signed was
at the time thereof and still is a justice of the peace
of said state in and for said County duly commissioned
and sworn and to all whose acts as such shall have faith and
credit and ought to be given.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed the
Seal of said County Court this nineteenth
day of March Eighteen hundred and
twenty eight
Aquila Peace Clerk of
Prince Georges County Court



Maryland Prince Georges County to wit.

On this fifteenth day of September 1814 Mary Moreland, ^{Executive of Pro. B. Moreland} personally appears before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County and makes Oath on the holy Evangel of Almighty God that sometime in the Month of August in the year 1814 while a hostile British Squadron was lying at or near Alexandria in the District of Columbia, that a certain negro man named Peter, commonly called Peter Johnson the property of her the said Mary Moreland absconded from her, and she verily believes he was received on board of some of the Vessels of the said Squadron in as much as she has not heard of him, since the departure of said Squadron from the Potomac, and further, that she was credibly inform'd, that he was in the employ of the British while they were in Alexandria - she further makes Oath that she believes the said negro man, was about forty years of age when he absconded, and that a few weeks previous, she was offered three hundred and fifty dollars for him -

Sworn before

Horatio Moore

And now at the same time personally appears before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace as aforesaid - Hanson, D. Moreland and being sworn on the holy Evangel of Almighty God, that when the British Squadron was ascending the River Potomack in the Month of Aug^r 1814, while they were between Fort Washington and Alexandria he was requested by the above mentioned negro Peter, to go with him and see the Ships, (it being on a Sunday Morning). he accordingly accompanied them and did not accompany the said negro Peter; but some hours after he left home, he this deponent went to the

copy of M. B. Moreland's
Oath of Moreland &

1 Moreland - Peter - \$350

Moreland Mary Sr

Moreland

River shore, and there saw the said Peter
in Company of a Number of negroes who
were attentively viewing the said Ships as
they passed up, this deponent having no
fears that the said Peter would abscond
did not pay particular attention to him, but
permitted him to ascend the River shore, with
the Company of negroes aforesaid, as the
said Squadron ascended: his fears were
at length excited, by some information
he received about Sun-down on said day
and went in pursuit of said Negro Peter.
And was soon inform'd, that the said Peter
(with other negroes) had gone on board the
british fleet, and ^{he} verily believes that he
did, as he has not since seen him -
further this deponent saith not.

Sworn before
Horatio Moore

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Mrs. Mary Moreland's
claim

~~of Peter Johnson~~

App^{to} prove the loss
of Negro Peter Johnson
his name does not appear
on the returns of the British
respectfully submitted

Wm. Brett agent

for claimt.

~~Wm. Brett~~
18 July 1823 - allow. to the
duly auth. representatives of
Thos. B. Moreland for one
slave taken from Virg^a -
\$280 - interest reserved

Mr. May Moulton's claim

aff'd. proving his going off with the
British