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John Hodge
of Memm. Chair

Albion Muddell
agent

May 20th - 28

22 July 1828 Allow-
for one slave taken
from Maryland @
\$200 - Int received

State of Maryland Prince Georges County to wit.
On this 15th day of May. 1828. personally appears
Francis Willkenden a coloured man residing in the
neighbourhood of Upper Marlboro in Prince Georges
County before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace
of the State of Maryland for Prince Georges County
and makes oath on the Holy Evangelists of
Almighty God. that he knew well a young
negro man called Washington the slave of
John Hooper (of Memes) of said town. that this
deponent knew said slave was carried off
off. from Upper Marlboro by the British on
their return from Washington through said
place. in August 1814. that this deponent
saw said slave carried off by them, and he has
never seen or heard ^{from} him since, and verily
believes he has never been seen or heard from
by his master or any of his family since that
time. that if he had ever returned this deponent
would have been acquainted with it.

sworn to before

J. P. Dowling
J. P.

Francis Willkenden
deponent

Maryland Prince Georges County to wit

Thereby Certify that Basil Bowling Esquire
Gentleman before whom the within affidavit ~~affirm~~
~~to have been~~ ^{was} made and whose name is thereto subscribed
was at the time of taking and signing the same and
still as one of the State of Maryland Justices of the
peace in and for Prince Georges County duly
Commissioned and sworn and to see ~~whom~~ acts
as such full faith and credit is ought to be given.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my name and affixed the seal of
my office this fifteenth day of May
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and
twenty eight



Aquila Beall CLK of
Pr. Geo. County, Md.

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State of Maryland Prince Georges county to wit
on this 15th day of May 1828 Personally appears
~~William Smith~~ ~~deponent~~ colored man residing in
Upper Marlbro in Prince Georges county before
the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State
of Maryland for Prince Georges county and makes
oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. that
he well knew a young negro man the Slave
of John Hadley (of them) of Upper Marlbro in
the county aforesaid called Washington. that he
knew the said Slave was carried off from the town
aforesaid by the British on their return from
Washington through Upper Marlbro in August
1814. that he saw the said Slave carried off
from Upper Marlbro by them. and he has never
been seen or heard from him since. and verily
believes he has never been seen or heard from by
his master or any of his family since. that if he
had ever returned. this deponent would have been
acquainted with it.

sworn to before

P. Bowling

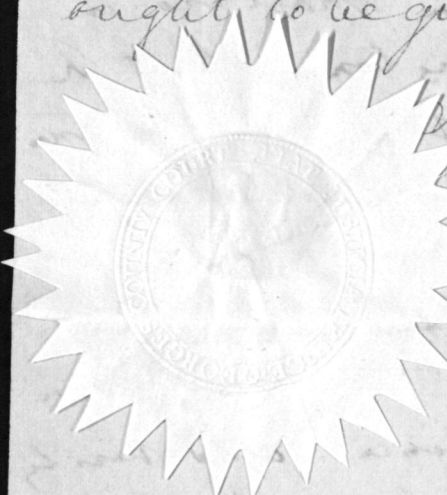
William Smith
deponent

Maryland Prince Georges County to wit

I hereby Certify that Basil Bowling Esquire Gentleman
before whom the within affidavit ~~was made~~ ^{was} made
and whose name is thereto subscribed was at the time of
taking and signing the same and still is one of the
State of Marylands Justices of the Peace in and for
Prince Georges County duly Commissioned and sworn
and to all whose acts as such full faith & credit is and
ought to be given

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my name and affixed the seal of
my Office this fifteenth day of May
Eighteen hundred & twenty Eight

Aquila Beall Clerk of
Ct. Gea. Co. Md.



Handwritten note on the right margin: "The within affidavit is correct" (written vertically)

Slaves

Rodges John - Prince Geo. Co.
Maryland

8 Nov. 1823

Recd. 12. " " "

1 Slave. Washington - 20 - \$450.

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The State of Maryland. Prince George County ss
Be it known that on this eighth day of November
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and twenty three John Rodges of Thomas of the said
County appeared before me one of the State Justices
of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid and
deposed and saith that his slave a Negro man
named Washington, about twenty years old, well
grown and healthy, departed from his service
on Friday Evening the twenty sixth day of
August in the year eighteen hundred and fourteen
and that he saw them go off with a detachment
of the Marines (as he supposed and believed
them to be, of the British fleet, at that time
lying in the Patuxent River) which had been
stationed in the town of Upper Marlborough (the
deponents place of residence) from the Monday
preceding unto that time - That the current
price of such a slave at the time he went
off, was in this deponents opinion and judgment
not less than four hundred and fifty dollars. And
this deponent further saith that he has no knowledge
of the said slave being with the British forces at

the time of the exchange of the ratifications of the treaty, nor is it in his power to offer any proof of the fact, for from the nature of things, in scarcely any case whatever, is such a fact susceptible of proof, but from the situation and operations of the said forces from the time the said slave went off as aforesaid, to the time of the peace it may reasonably be presumed that it was the case

Sworn before Cephas M. Benson

And be it also known that on the same day and year ^{first} aforesaid John Hodges Jr. appeared before me a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland for Prince Georges County. and made oath on the Holy Evangelies of almighty God that the fact stated in the aforesaid Deposition of John Hodges of Rome, as to the departure of the slave therein mentioned with the British Marines is to ^{his} knowledge true, for he was present with the said John Hodges of Rome at the time the said slave went off, and this deposition further states that he believes the age and

Description of the said slave contained in the said Deposition are correct. and further that the valuation set upon him by the said John Hodges of Rome is in his judgment a reasonable and fair one

Sworn before Cephas M. Benson

Maryland Prince Georges County Let

I hereby certify that Cephas M. Benson (gentleman) before whom the aforesaid depositions were taken and whose name is thereto signed was at the time of taking and signing the same and still is a Justice of the Peace of said State in and for said County duly Commissioner and sworn to all whose acts as such full faith and credit ought to be given.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of Prince Georges County Court this Eighth day of November Eighteen Hundred Twenty Three.
Aquila Seal Clk J. P. Court