

Claim of
Wm. Ward of Maryland
one Slave
submitted.

as ordered. J. G. M.

This negro was a
mariner therefore
it is to be presumed
that he remained in
the country with the
Black Corps.

J. G. M.

I hereby certify that between the 1st and 10th of October 1814 the
the British squadron then lying in the Chesapeake Bay com-
-ed, by Commodore Barry did receive one of my negro men
named Alexander Cook who afterwards piloted them in
Herring Bay the negro man was then about twenty two year
of age, and at the time of his departure I was from home
under the orders of the government of the State of Maryland
~~about~~ ^(some) miles serving in the Company of Capt.
Thos. T. Simmons

William Ward

State of Maryland Ann A Rundle County, &c.

On this 27th Day of May 1823 personally appears William
Ward before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and
for the said County and State and makes oath on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God, that the foregoing statement
is substantially true to the best of his knowledge and
belief.

Sworn before

Pewis Sutton

I do hereby certify that on 24th of Oct 1814 I was taken by the British
in the morning early and placed under guard with the British marines
and while with them I saw this negro Alexⁿ Cook said to have
belonged to Mr. William Ward in their service and was
informed by them that he had piloted them into Herring
Bay.

Thomas M'Person

I do hereby certify that while the British Fleet was in Herring Bay
towards the last of October I saw this negro (viz) Alexⁿ Cook with two
negroes of Mr John Scrivenner, and some of the English a killing
Mr M^cQuillings guess these marines all came from the squad-
ron of Commodore Barry.

John G Ward

State of Maryland Ann A Rundle County &c

On this 27th Day of May 1823 personally appears Tho^s. M^cPer-
-son and John G Ward before me the subscriber a justice of the peace
in and for the said State and County and makes oath on
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the foregoing state-
-ments are ~~is~~ substantially just and true to the best of
their belief and knowledge.

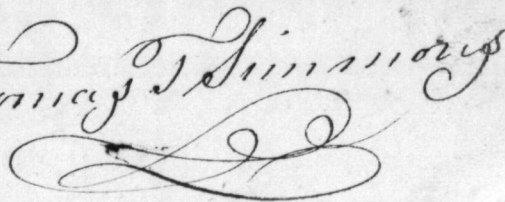
Sworn before

Pewis Sutton

of Maryland Anne Arundel County to wit

On the 17th day of October 1827 personally appeared
John Ward of William before me the subscriber a
Justice of the Peace of said County and made
on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw
Negro Alexander Cook the property of William Ward
in company with the British in the month of Septe-
r 1814 at the house of James Mcquillen near
having ^{in said County} Bay in the act of plundering the said
Mcquillen - and that the said Negro Alexander
Cook was at that time dressed in British military,
and had a musket in his hand, - and from which
circumstances I did believe that said Negro
Alexander had entered the British Service -

The above named John Ward also now states that
he was sworn on the above statement some four or
five years since which statement may have
possibly ~~been~~ been mislead or lost -
Sworn before Thomas J. Dimmings



13 Thos. M. Per
Justice of the Peace

of said County and makes Oath on