

Warrington Costin  
and Dennis Costin  
by next June <sup>85</sup>  
1865

James Costin

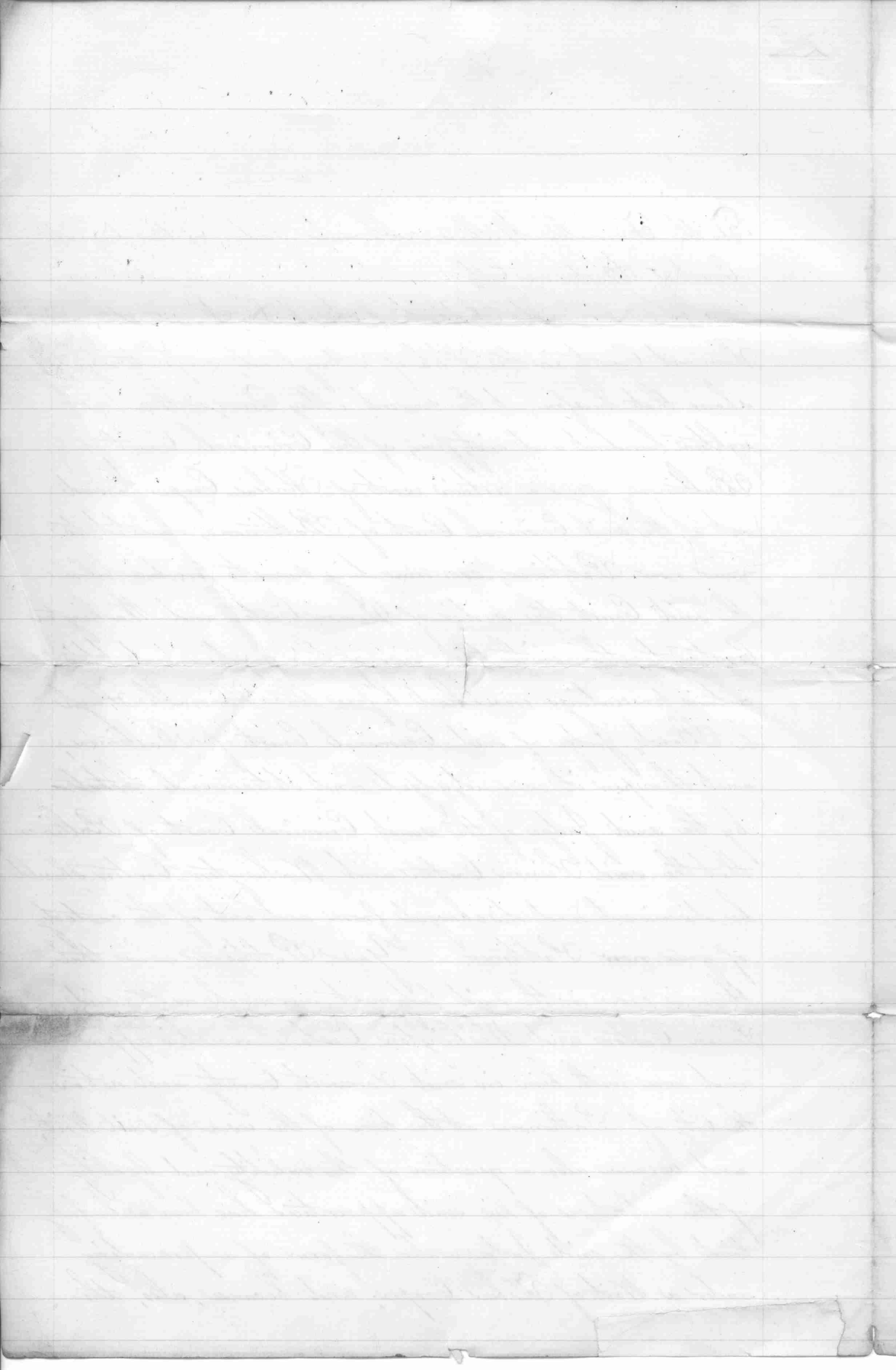
Coston  
State of Maryland

Aug 8: 1865 -  
Let the writ of error  
issue as prayed  
Wm. A. B. [Signature]

7 d 8 July 1865

To the Honorable William Alexander, Judge of the Circuit  
Court of Baltimore City.

The Petition of Samuel S. Coston, of  
Somerset County in the State of Maryland, respectfully  
shows that herefore, at the present May Term, in the year  
eighteen hundred and sixty five, of the Criminal Court of  
Baltimore, upon a certain writ of Habeas Corpus issued  
out of the said Criminal Court of Baltimore, directed to  
your now Petitioner, commanding him to produce before  
the said Court the bodies of Simon Coston and Washington  
Coston, together with the causes of their caption and detainers,  
certain proceedings were had before the Honorable Hugh  
L. Bond, Judge of said Criminal Court of Baltimore,  
and thereupon it was adjudged and determined ~~that~~  
by the said Judge of the said Criminal Court of Baltimore  
that the said Simon Coston and Washington Coston should  
be dismissed and discharged from and out of the custody  
of your now Petitioner. Your Petitioner avers that  
there is error in the said judgment, inasmuch as the said  
Simon Coston and Washington Coston were his <sup>indentured</sup> apprentices  
and were with him in said Somerset County and not in  
the City of Baltimore at the time of the issue of said Writ,  
and because also a question of the validity and legality  
of the indentures of his said apprentices has been unlawfully  
tried by the said Judge under the form of a proceeding  
under a Writ of Habeas Corpus, and because, also, the



judgment of the said Judge of the said Criminal Court of Baltimore should have dismissed the said writ of Habeas Corpus and have remanded the said Simon Coston and Washington Coston into the <sup>lawful</sup> custody of your Petitioner, instead of dismissing and discharging them from his custody, as it has actually done.

And your Petitioner Prays your Honor to Grant unto him the State of Maryland's Writ of Error to be in due form of law directed to the said Criminal Court of Baltimore, for the transmission of the said case to the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that the said proceedings may be therein reviewed, and that the said Error in said Judgment may be corrected, and the said Judgment be by said Court of Appeals reversed and annulled by said Court of Appeals for the error aforesaid, and that right and Justice may be done in the said Court of Appeals in the said case.

William S. Waters

William Schley,

Attorneys for Petitioner.