Worcester County Sct. At a County Court of the fourth Judicial District of the State of Maryland begun and held at Snow Hill Town in and for the County aforesaid on the second Monday of November being the 9th day of the same Month in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen.

Were Present

The Honourable William B Martin Esquire, Chief Judge

James B Robins } Esquires, associate Judges
William Whittington }

John L Handy Clk.

Jonathan Cook Esquire. Sheriff.

In the Record of Proceedings of the said Court, amongst others were the following, to wit.

v Negro Lisk
&
Robert H Johnson

Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit. on the Eighth day of December in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventeen Negro Lisk preferred To the Honourable William Whittington Esquire an associate Judge of Worcester County Court her Petition in the following Words to wit. "To the Honourable William Whittington Esqr. The Petition of Negro Lisk respectfully represents that she is held in Slavery by Robert H Johnson Contrary to the Laws of the Land She therefore prays that your Honour will grant such Relief as her distressed Situation may require

Lisk.

December the 8th 1817.

Whereupon by order of the Judge aforesaid the Writ of the State of Maryland of Habeas Corpus and Summons were immediately issued and directed to the Sheriff of Worcester County in form following to wit.

"Worcester County Sct. The State of Maryland To the Sheriff of Worcester County Greeting. Whereas it is represented to William Whittington Esq. an associate Judge of Worcester County Court, by the Petition of Negro Lisk that she is unjustly and illegally detained in Slavery by a Certain Robert H Johnson and he being willing that the Prayer aforesaid should be heard by the Judges of the County Court of Worcester

v you are therefore Commanded that you have the said Negro Lisk before the Judges of the County Court of Worcester on the second Monday of ~~November Inst~~ May next. that the Judges aforesaid may proceed therein as to Justice appertains. Hereof fail not at your Peril and have you there and then this Writ. Witness the Honourable William B Martin Esq. Chief Judge of the said Court the 10th day of November Anno Dom 1817

Issued the 8th day of December Anno Dom 1817.

Order. John L Handy Clk.

v Worcester County Ss. The State of Maryland. To the Sheriff of Worcester County Greeting: you are hereby Commanded

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