

one Jonathan Woodburn of Saint Marys County, she therefore prays your honors that she may be released from the illegal servitude in which she is now held by the said Jonathan and that process may be issued to Compell the said Jonathan to appear during this present Term of the said Court to answer the premises. And your petitioner further prays that your honors will order Jonas her son, who was left her property by the aforesaid devise of the said Leonard, who is now confined in the jail of the said County by the said Jonathan to be released from his said confinement, And your petitioner as in duty bound will pray.

Henry Ashton atty for petitioner

And the said Jonathan Woodburn administrator as aforesaid appears in Court here by Clement Dorsey his attorney and consents that this petition be docketed, and thereupon defends the force and injury when and soforth.

And the said Negro Anna by Henry Ashton and Raphael Steale her attorneys and the said Jonathan Woodburn administrator as aforesaid by his attorney aforesaid file in Court here the following statement of facts, to wit:

It is admitted that the petitioner was the slave of certain Leonard Burroughs deceased, who duly made and executed his last will and testament in manner and form following.

"In the name of God, Amen, I Leonard Burroughs of Saint Marys County and State of Maryland being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, and thereby be better prepared to leave this world when it please God