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 compelle 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 Josias 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 forfeith.

And the said Negro Anna by Henry Ashton and Raphael Neale her attornies 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 to call me hence. do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my friends, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid I desire and bequeath as follows Viz. I give and bequeath unto my negro woman called Anna her liberty and the advantages of her son as a labourer so long as she lives, and a young bay mare three years old next spring, and four barrels of Indian corn and three hundred weight of pork and one black cow about six years old, and a hoe an axe, and a spinning wheel and cards, cotton cards and one Iron pot holding three gallons or thereabouts, and half a dozen pewter plates, and the balance of the wool after clothing the family, and one young white sow and all the dunghill fowls, and half a barrel of wheat, also it is my will and desire that my man Josias, her son be the entire right and property of her the said Anna. Item, I give and bequeath unto Hanson Burroughs five children, and Hezekiah Woodburn son of Jonathan Woodburn all my property not otherwise disposed of, to be equally divided amongst them. Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend John MacWilliams sole Executor of this my last will and Testament, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and Testament. I Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twelfth day of September Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eleven.