Orphans' Court of Balto County

In the matter of Petition of Wm Stewart of Balto Co to whom was sold the unexpired term of Jno Bacon a negro apprentice and which sd sale was reported to and ratified by the Orphans Court of Howard District Anne Arundel Co Md - on the 12th day of March 1850 as will appear from the copy of the record filed with sd petition - The court having duly considered the application of sd Wm Stewart to have sd apprentice's term of service extended do hereby on this 12th day of March 1856 Order and decree that the sd Jno Bacon's term of service be extended for the period of (12) twelve months after the expiration of the term prescribed in the indenture binding said boy - that is until the 20th day of December 1858 - and further that the Said Wm Stewart may sell and assign sd term and extension thereof to any one resident in this County sd sale to be reported to and further approved by this Court

(Signed) Joshua F. Cockey
Jos Murray Parran
Jonathan Bracey