This agreement made this twentieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine between Arthur P. West and Benjamin Oden both of Prince Georges County in the State of Maryland of the one part and Henry Ashton and Julius Forrest trustees for the purposes hereinafter mentioned of the other part witnesseth: Whereas a certain instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the late Geo. Stephen West of the said County has been exhibited before the Orphans Court of said County for probate and the said Arthur P. West has filed his caveat in the said Court against the said will and an issue from the said Court of devisavit vel non to be tried by a jury before the judges of the County Court of said County, has been filed in the said last mentioned Court and a jury is now impanelled and sworn to try the said issue. Now this agreement witnesseth that the said Benjamin and Arthur P. for and in consideration that the parties to the said issue by their counsel will agree that the verdict of the jury shall be against the said will the said West and Oden promise and oblige themselves that they will upon the demand of the said Ashton and Forrest give good and sufficient deeds of manumission to the following persons who were slaves to the said Geo. West and by his said will were manumitted to wit Dennis Beans, Mary Adams, and Nelly Wood and those of the children now in Prince George County of age, who are mentioned in said writing as being that Charlotte a free mulatto woman who is the reputed legatee by virtue of said writing will, shall have, and occupy and enjoy ~~during the term of her life~~, the following tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Prince George called and known by the name of Buck Hills and Buck Hill ~~addition~~, Part of addition and part of Meadows ~~Range~~ a tract of land undivided which belongs in common between Benjamin Oden Richard W. West and the heirs of the said Geo. West one fourth part to each of the Wests aforesaid and one half to the said Oden as tenant by the courtesy, that is to say ~~contained~~ acres of the said land

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Mr Beale will please to file this Caveat in Court. H. Ashton