

George Gale To the Worshipfull the Justices of Somerset County the Petition of George Gale humbly sheweth
That the following Slaves viz Lina, Lancy, Jack, Dalina, Parthana, and Rafe the property of your
Petitioner are by age and infirmities rendered unable to do labour sufficient to maintain themselves
and pay taxes your Petitioner therefore Prays that they may for the future be free and be as in Duty
bound will pray
Geo. Gale

Whereupon your Honor hath sent the said Petitioner in his proper Person and thereupon the petition of
being read and heard and fully understood it is considered by the Court here that the said Negro Lina be for the
future to be free as by the petition of Rafe and also it is considered by the Court here that the said Negro Lancy
be for the future to be free as by the petition of Rafe and also it is considered by the Court here that the said
Negro Jack be for the future to be free as by the petition of Rafe and also it is considered by the Court here
that the said Negro Dalina be for the future to be free as by the petition of Rafe and also it is considered
by the Court here that the said Negro Parthana be for the future to be free as by the petition of Rafe
and also it is considered by the Court here that the said Negro Rafe be for the future to be free as by
the petition of Rafe &c.

Lutty Whittington To the Worshipfull Justices of Somerset County in Court now sitting the humble petition of
Lutty Whittington send most humbly sheweth that whereas your petition is in fact with
said Negro Mank & named Hannah whom with age and other infirmities hath rendered her almost past
her labour for which your Petitioner humbly prays that your Worships would be pleased to consider
the premises and set her free for the future and your petition as in Duty bound shall pray &c
Lutty Whittington

Whereupon your Honor hath sent the said Petitioner in his proper person
and thereupon the petition of Lutty Whittington being read and heard and fully understood it is considered by the Court here
that the said Negro Mank be for the future to be free as by the petition of Lutty Whittington &c.

Sarah Astors an Orphan of the Poor free Court is bound out by the Court here as
Apprentice according to Act of Assembly in such case provided unto Solomon Astors of
Somerset County until she the said Sarah should arrive at the age of sixteen years the
said Sarah to serve her said Master the full term of 7 years during which term the said Apprentice her said
Master well and faithfully she shall serve his Tenets keep his Commandments Lawfully and honestly
every where willing by he shall do and in all things as a good and faithful Apprentice she shall
behave herself towards her said Master and all his during the term of 7 years

In Consideration of which Service the said Solomon Astors present herein Court in his
proper Person Cometh with the Justices of the same Court in Court judicially sitting in manner and
form following that is to say that he the said Solomon Astors shall and will during the term of seven
his said Apprentices the trade of Weaver and knit sew and spin and to stand well in the C.C. and at the
Expiration of her servitude Give her a New Suit of Cloaths of Linsey Woolsey over and above her common
Wearing Cloaths and likewise find and provide for his said Apprentice meat drink washing Lodging and
Cloathing sufficient for such an Apprentice to have and wear during the term of 7 years

Whereupon the said Solomon Astors is ordered to give Security to Comply with the Covenants
of the said Sarah Astors together with Moses Carmean and John Leat of
Somerset County Planters his security all present herein Court in their proper Person acknowledged
themselves indebted unto the said Sarah Astors in thirty pounds Current Money of Maryland on their Covenants
and Charles Sands and to remain jointly and severally to the use of the said Sarah Astors her heirs
Assigns to be made and levied if it happen that the said Solomon Astors do not during the term of 7
years his said Apprentices the trade of a Weaver and knit sew and spin and to stand well in the C.C.
and at the Expiration of her servitude do not Give her a New Suit of Cloaths of Linsey Woolsey over
and above her common wearing Cloaths and do not likewise find and provide for his said Apprentice
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