

I Hanson Penn a Justice of the Peace for Prince
George County and State of Maryland do hereby
certify that I have been acquainted with the
within mentioned negroes ever since the year
1827 - ~~and~~ that since that time they have
been recognized and considered as free and that
it is the general reputation of the neighborhood
in which they live that the said negroes are
free - Given under my hand this 13th day
of July 1844

Identified of
Landon Ransom

John W. A. Duff
W. H.

Hanson Penn
