

Maryland, Donchester County, to wit: on the nineteenth day of March in the year
 Eighteen hundred & forty nine, personally appears before me, a Justice of the Peace in
 and for the said County, the within named Robert R. Richardson & Stanley Richardson
 and Edward Richardson, and acknowledged the within Bill of sale to be their act
 and deed, according to the purport, true intent and meaning of the same. And
 at the same time came before me Edward Richardson within mentioned &
 made Oath on the Holy Evangelly of Almighty God that the consideration set
 forth in this Bill of sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth,
 according to the true meaning of the Act of Assembly of 1846 Chapter 271
 made & provided. Acknowledged before James Hammersly

Hooper C. Hicks & Wife } Be it remembered that the following Deed of
 & } To } 55 } Manumission was recorded on the 2^d day of April 1849.
 Martin Harry, Negro } To all whom it may concern, be it known that
 we Hooper C. Hicks and Harriet Ann Hicks of
 Donchester County in the State of Maryland, for divers good causes and
 considerations us therunto moving, have released from Slavery, liberated,
 manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from
 Slavery, liberate, manumit and set free, our Negro Man named
 Martin Harry, being about the age of forty five years, and able to
 work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and here
 the said Negro Man named Martin Harry we do declare to be
 henceforth free, manumitted & discharged from all manner of service
 or servitude to us our executors or administrators forever. In
 Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this 28th
 day of February 1849.
 Witnesses } Hooper C. Hicks (Seal)
 Thos. H. Webb - G. Sewell. } Harriet A. Hicks (Seal)

Donchester County, State of Maryland, to wit. Be it remembered that on this
 second day of April, Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and forty nine,
 personally and reputedly appears Hooper C. Hicks and Harriet A.
 Hicks, his Wife, parties to the above instrument of Writing,
 before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Mary-
 land for said County, and acknowledged the same to be their act
 and deed, for the purposes therein mentioned, and the Negro
 Man therein named to be henceforth manumitted & discharged
 from all services to them, or any claiming under them, and to be
 free and manumitted according to the Act of Assembly in such
 case made & provided.
 Geo. A. Z. Smith J. P.