

instrument shall cease & be utterly void. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands & affixed our seals this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Eltho Hall, Do. Nicholson  
Leticia M. Stewart (seal)  
Elizabeth C. Stewart (seal)

The words and said in 24 & 26 lines & the word or was nine in the 28 & 35 lines & the word Caroline in 42 line first before the execution hereof. At the foot of the foregoing was thus written to wit } Do. Nicholson State of Maryland Anne Arundel County to wit.

On the 9th day of April 1845 personally appeared Leticia M. Stewart and Elizabeth Caroline Stewart his wife before me one of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County and acknowledges the foregoing writing to be their act and deed according to the true intent and meaning and the act of Assembly in such cases made and provided and I do further certify that the said Leticia M. Stewart and Elizabeth Caroline Stewart are known to me to be the same identical persons professing to have signed & sealed the same within Instruments with my hand.

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" Certify in the 9th line first in the line before the execution hereof J. N. Recorded the 22nd day of April 1845.

Mary Baldwin to John Rice Hill of Sub of negro man named Sam to serve until the year 1856 dated the 24th day of March 1845. Know all men by these presents that I Mary Baldwin of Anne Arundel County and State of Maryland

for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars current money to me in hand paid by John Rice of the County and State aforesaid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained sold and delivered and by these presents do grant bargain sell and deliver unto the said John Rice my negro slave Sam to serve until the year 1856 and then to be free and discharged from slavery, which said slave Sam I will warrant and defend to the said John Rice his executors administrators and assigns against mine my executors and administrators and against mine my executors and administrators and against every other person or persons whomsoever.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 24 day of March 1845 In presence of Martha R. Baldwin Mary Baldwin (seal) Recorded the 21st day of April 1845.

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