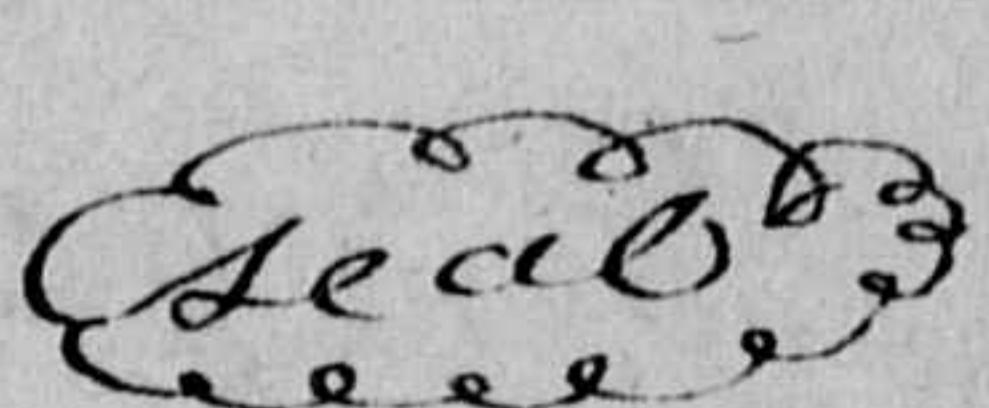


my hand and affixed my seal this 2nd day of
November 1803.

Witness

J. H. Dorsey

Peregrine Welch

P. Hammond 

on the back of the foregoing was thus endorsed by
Anne Crundel County on the 2 November 1803.
the within mentioned Philip Hammond
came before me one of the Justices of the
peace for the County aforesaid and acknowledged
the within instrument of writing to be his
act and deed and the negroes therein mentioned
to be free - acknowledged before me the
date as above -

J. H. Dorsey

Recorded 21st March 1804.

State of Maryland J^t. To whom these presents
shall come greeting, I David Weems of Anne
Crundel County, in the State aforesaid for
divers good causes and considerations. I
thereunto moving, do hereby free manumit
and enfranchise the negro man following
to wit William to be free the twentieth
day of April Eighteen hundred and four.
Hereby acknowledging the said negro man
discharged from all claims of service
and right of property whatever, from me
my heirs executors and administrators

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