

Ann arundel County to wit. Be it remembered that on  
 this 22<sup>d</sup> day of May personally appeared Grace  
 Hemmens party to the within instrument of writing  
 before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace  
 of the State of Maryland for the said County and  
 acknowledged the same to be her act and deed  
 for the purposes within mentioned - acknowledged  
 before.

Lewis Duvall

Recorded the 22 day of May 1804 -

Maryland 3<sup>t</sup> To all whom these presents shall  
 come greeting I William Weems of ann arundel  
 County in the State aforesaid for divers good causes  
 and considerations me thereunto moving do  
 hereby free manumit (and enfranchise the  
 following) negro: to wit, Henry aged between  
 fifteen and sixteen years of age to be free in twelve  
 years from the first of January last. Hereby  
 acknowledging the said negro discharged from  
 all claim of service and right of property whatever  
 from me my heirs executors or administrators.  
 as witness my hand and seal this seventh  
 day of May in the year of our blessed lord one  
 thousand eight hundred & four -

Signed Sealed acknowledged

In the presence of  
 Lewis Duvall

Wm Weems (seal)

J. B. Clements

on the back of the foregoing) was thus endorsed  
 A. A. County May 7<sup>th</sup> 1804. Then came William  
 Weems before me one of the Justice of  
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