

-ding) to the true intent, and meaning thereof and according to an act of Assembly in such case made & provided

Acknowledged before

Beny<sup>n</sup> Allen

Recorded 27<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1804

To all whom it may concern, be it known that I Mary Ridout of Anne Arundel County in the State of Maryland for divers good causes and consideration Me therunto moving as also in further consideration of five shillings current Money to me in hand paid, have released from Slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free and by these presents do hereby release from Slavery, liberate, manumit and set free My negro Man named Jack Richardson being of the age of twenty years and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood (and) maintenance, and him the said Negro Man named Jack Richardson, I do declare to be henceforth free manumitted and discharged from all manner of servitude or service to me my Executors or administrators for ever

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my Seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November one thousand eight hundred and four.

Signed Sealed & delivered In the presence of us  
Lewis Duvalle  
J. H. Clements  
Mary Ridout

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