


Negro Slaves (to wit) Jack a Blacksmith by Trade to  
 go free immediately from the Date of these presences to  
 be free forever from me or my heirs Also Nell wife  
 to Jack to go free immediately from the date of these  
 presences with her Increase to be free forever from me or  
 my heirs and I do hereby power liberate Manumite &  
 set free the above named Slaves with their Increase  
 In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
 & Seal this twenty third day of January Eighteen hun  
 dred & five --

Signed Sealed and  
 Delivered in presence of } (Thomas H. Howard   
 Bruce Howard }  
 G. Watkins }

Ann Arundel County et An this twenty third  
 day of January Eighteen hundred & five came the above  
 named Thom<sup>s</sup>. Worthington Howard Before me the Sub  
 scribed a Justice of the peace for the County afores<sup>d</sup>  
 and Acknowledged the above Instrument of writing  
 to be his act and Deed and the above named Negro  
 Slaves to be free from all Claims & Rights of me or