

Know all men by these presents, that whereas by an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at the Session held in November eighteen hundred and five, Entitled an Act for the benefit of Robert Williams a free Black Man, and of his wife and Children it is enacted that it shall and may be lawful for the Chancellor of this State to execute a deed for the Emancipation and freeing of the wife of said Robert Williams named Sue or Susannah and the Children named in the preamble to the said Act of Assembly to wit, Susan, George, Dinah, Beser, Rachel, and William as by the said Act of Assembly, reference being had thereto will appear. And whereas one of the said Negroes to wit, Dinah has a female Child named Fanny about the age of two years, and it appears to have been the intention of the Legislature that all the descendants of the said Sue or Susan Williams should be free. In pursuance of the Authority vested by the said Act of Assembly, I William Hilly Chancellor of the State of Maryland have Emancipated and set free, and do by these presents do Emancipate and set free the said Negroes to wit, Sue or Susannah Williams, the wife of the said Robert Williams about the age of fifty three, George about the age of twenty three, Dinah about the age of twenty one, Rachel about the age of nineteen, Susan about the age of seventeen, Beser about the age of fifteen, William about the age of thirteen and Fanny the daughter of Dinah about the age of two years, to take effect as to all and each of the said Negroes from the date hereof. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the fifth day of March in the year eighteen hundred and six.