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On the back of the above owing was thus endorsed by
Anne Arundel County Feb. On the 22 day of May 1801.
Then came before us the subscribers two of the
Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid Benjamin
Bastard party to the above instrument of writing
and acknowledged the same to be his intended
for the purpose written and the Negro
Woman Ruth to be henceforth discharged from
all services to him or to any persons claiming
under him and the Negro boy Jack to be free
on 1st day of March 1825 according to the act of
Assembly in such copies made and provided

Recorded 22 May 1801. James Mackubin

James Lester, Maryland to all whom these
w Negro Jerry presents shall come greeting I
James Lester of Baltimore Town in the State aforesaid
for divers good causes and considerations now
hereunto moving do hereby free manumit and
enfranchise the Negro following named, Jerry
aged about two months to be free from the date
henceforward and her increase to the last generation to be
free at their Birth hereby acknowledging the said
Negro discharged from all claim of service right
of property whatever from me my heirs executors or
Administrators as witness my hand seal this fourth
day of July in the year of our blessed Lord one thousand
eight hundred and one
Signed Sealed Delivered in the presence of James Lester Esq
Richard Garrison, Benjamin Garrison

B.M.