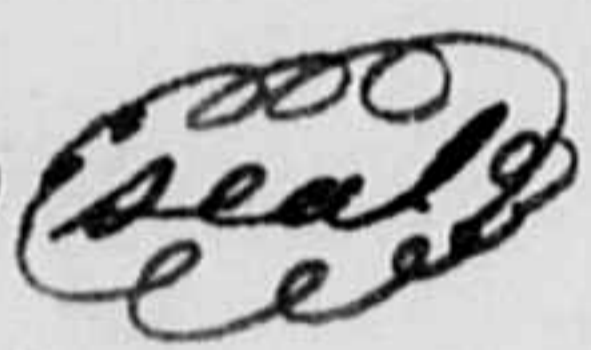


Slavery liberate manumitted and sets free the within  
 named negro girl Betty after the year of our Lord 1821  
 from all manner of servitude or service to me my  
 executors administrators or assigns forever and also  
 her increase or issue that she may have born in  
 the time of her servitude to wit, males at the age  
 of twenty five years and females at the age  
 of twenty one years, In Testimony whereof I  
 have hereunto set my hand and affixed my  
 seal this fourteenth day of March 1811.

Witness } John Merriken   
 Richard Merriken }  
 C. Warfield }

On the back of the aforesaid deed was thus endorsed to wit  
 Anne Arundel county to wit, on this 14. day of March personally  
 appears John Merriken 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 acknowledges  
 the same to be his act and deed for the purposes  
 within mentioned and the negro girl within named and her  
 increase to be henceforth manumitted and discharged from  
 all services to him or to any claiming under him and  
 to be free and manumitted at the time therein specified  
 and according to the acts of ~~of~~ asembly in such  
 cases made and provided.

Acknowledged before

Recorded the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1811. Richard Merriken