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according to the act of Assembly in such cases made and provided.

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Acknowledged before Joseph Gands.

Recorded the 3rd day of September 1811.

To all whom it may concern Be it known that I John Meriken of Ann Arundell County in the State of Maryland, for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving do release from Slavery manumitt, liberate and set free and by these presents do hereby release from Slavery manumitt, liberate and set free my negro man James Titus he being now of the age of thirty nine years and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance and him the said negro man James Titus I do declare to be henceforth free manumitted and discharged from the date hereof from all manner of servitude or service to me my heirs executors or administrators forever. In Testimony whereoff I hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of September eighteen hundred and eleven

Witness Gideon White
for Mallonee

John Meriken

On the back of the foregoing was thus endorsed to wit:
Ann Arundel County 1st On the 14 day of September 1811 appeared John Meriken before the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid and acknowledged the within instrument of writing to be his act and deed according to

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