

Maryland Ps. 7

To all whom these presents shall come greeting: I George Whips of Anne Arundel county in the State aforesaid for divers good causes and consideration me thereunto moving do hereby declare free manumit and enfranchise the negroes following, to wit negro Charles aged about twenty nine years to be free at the end of three years from this date, negro Nan aged about twenty seven years ~~from this~~ ~~date~~ to be free at the end of four years from this date, and all the issue the said negro Nan may have during the above term of her servitude, the males to be free at the age twenty eight years old the females to be free at the age of twenty eight years old and their heirs forever in the same manner males and females, hereby acknowledging the said negroes discharged from all claim of service and right of property whatever from me my heirs, executors or administrators from and after the expiration of their stipulated time of servitude and them and theirs forever to be free agreeable to the true intent and meaning of this deed of manumission and agreeable to an act of assembly in such cases made and provided, as witness my hand and seal this twenty second day of march in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seven.

interlineations being made before signed

Benjamin Hood }
Benjamin Whips }

George Whips Seal

on the back of the foregoing was thus endorsed to wit

Ps. on the twenty second day of march eighteen hundred seven personally appeared before me, the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace for the county aforesaid George Whips party to the within instrument of writing who acknowledge the said instrument to be

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