

To all whom it may concern Be it known that  
 I John Bowman of said Amund County and State of  
 Maryland for divers good causes and considerations and  
 therefore moving as also in further consideration of one  
 hundred dollars current money to me hereof paid have  
 released from slavery and by these presents do hereby  
 release from slavery liberated manumitted and set free  
 my negro woman named Flora or Flora aged about  
 twenty eight years also my negro woman named  
 Rebecca aged about sixteen years and able to work and  
 gain sufficient livelihood and maintenance and to  
 the said negro woman named Flora or Flora and  
 Rebecca I do declare to be hereof set free manumitted  
 and discharged from all manner of servitude or service  
 to me my Executors and Administrators forever In  
 Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
 affixed my seal this the twenty first day of January  
 Eighteen hundred and seventeen.

Given at Seatons and declared in  
 the presence of James Hunter } John Bowman's seal  
 Richard G. Hutton, Thos. Bicknell }

On the back of the aforesaid deed was thus written to wit.  
 Anne Amund County to wit: On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of  
 January 1817 personally appeared John Bowman party to  
 the within instrument of writing before me the subscriber  
 a Justice of the peace for the aforesaid County and  
 acknowledges the same to be his act and deed for the  
 purposes within mentioned and the negroes within  
 named to be hereof set free manumitted and discharged  
 from all services to him or any claiming under him  
 and to be free and manumitted according to the  
 act of assembly in such cases made and provided  
 as acknowledged before

22.  
3.

James Hunter  
 Recorded the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1817.