

To all to whom it may Concern Be it known That  
 I Am Caroline Bullock of the County of Currituck in the  
 State of Maryland for various good causes and Considerations  
 and the intent moving us also in full consideration  
 of the sum of five hundred Dollars to be raised and  
 paid to be released from the way of Slave or committed  
 and set free and by these presents do hereby release from  
 Slavery Liberty and manumission and set free from and after  
 the respective period herein after named the following  
 several bond Nicholas Johnson being of the age of  
 about twenty two to be free on the first day of January  
 eighteen hundred and fifty one, he the said Nicholas  
 Johnson being able to work and gain sufficient  
 lively hood and maintenance for himself The object of  
 this manumission is to conform to an Act made by the  
 State of Maryland providing for the liberation of Slaves  
 upon the condition they go to some Colonized Settlement  
 of the Coloured people in Africa provided by the government  
 of the United States therefore after the said Nicholas  
 Johnson has performed his term of servitude he shall  
 be free so that he shall have his choice either to go to some  
 Colonized part of Coloured people in Africa or any other  
 part selected by the United States or under the superintendance  
 of the Colonization Society or in case of refusal he the said  
 Nicholas Johnson shall forfeit his freedom and shall  
 again be the lawful Slave of me Caroline Bullock  
 or in case of my death leaving no lawful issue my  
 Brother John Asa Bullock & his heirs but no further  
 granted so far as is consistent with the Laws of  
 Maryland but of the said Nicholas Johnson after  
 expiration of his term of servitude if he should go  
 to Africa he the said Nicholas Johnson is authorized  
 for a prudent time to hire himself for the purpose of  
 raising means to take with him to Africa to make himself  
 comfortable when he arrives at said Settlement This  
 manumission gives further authority that after the  
 said