

in the State of Maryland for divers good causes and considerations and therunto money) as also for the further consideration of five dollars current money the said land said, have released from slavery, manumitted, liberated, emancipated and set free and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, manumitted, liberated, emancipated and set free the following negroes to wit Sarah aged about twenty four years and Rachel aged about four years, the said negro woman Sarah being able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance; and the said negroes I do hereby declare and pronounce to be henceforth free manumitted, emancipated, liberated and discharged from slavery, and from all manner of service to me the said William Simmons my heirs Executors and administrators forever. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventh day of May, Eighteen hundred and eighteen.

Signed, Sealed and delivered }
 in presence of } William Simmons

P H Kelly; Thomas Crandall

and the back of the foregoing deed, was thus written
 said: Received this seventh day of May, Eighteen hundred and eighteen the sum of five dollars being the consideration money of the foregoing deed and in full for the same. William Simmons
 Witness Thomas Crandall

Anne Arundel County J. Be it remembered that on this seventh day of May, Eighteen hundred and eighteen personally appears William Simmons of Chapman party to the foregoing instrument of