

appeared Mahel Guffin and acknowledged the foregoing
deed to be her act (W^m H. Brockhead L^y)
Recorded the 29 day of Aug^t 1859

Know all Men by these presents that I John
Y Hammond of the City of Annapolis Anne Arundel
County and State of Maryland in consideration of the
Sum of one thousand dollars in hand paid to me
at or before the sealing and delivery of here presents
by parties interested in procuring the freedom of my negro
Slave Benjamin Berdley, the receipt of which said
sum I hereby acknowledge as of other Consideration,
in testimony whereof I have by Manumission and set
free my said negro Slave Benjamin Berdley being a
light mulatto boy about five feet and ten inches
in height and about twenty five years of age in
Slave for life his freedom to commence from the date
of these presents Witness my hand and seal this thirtieth
day of September in the year eighteen hundred and
fifty nine John Y Hammond Seal

Test Will^m H. Luck
Chas^s Miller

On the back of the foregoing was then written and
State of Maryland Anne Arundel County town
I hereby certify that on the thirtieth day of
September in the year eighteen hundred and fifty
nine before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of
the State of Maryland in and for the County of Anne
Arundel personally appeared John Y Hammond and
acknowledged the foregoing deed of Manumission
to be her act W^m H. Over
Recorded the 30 day of September 1859

I Elizabeth Parr of Alexandria Virginia
do hereby manumit and set free my negro man