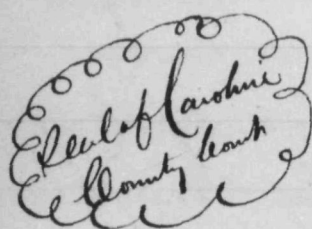


Thomas B. Culbreth of Caroline County aforesaid, that the said negro woman named Rachel Thomas for whom this Certificate is made was free born: - I do therefore Grant her said application and hereby Certify that from her own Account, she is now about thirty years of age, five feet three & one half inches high or thereabouts of a dark chestnut Complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County has a small scar on the fore-finger of her left hand, and the middle joints of three fingers on her right hand are enlarged, (occasioned as she says by washing) and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed. ~



In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Caroline County Court, this 29th day of July Anno Domini 1845.
James M. Fountain Clerk of Caroline County Court

State of Maryland, Caroline County, to wit, Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro woman named Susan Mason for a Certificate of her freedom agreeably to the acts of Assembly in such case made made and provided by which said acts free negroes and mulattos are permitted to travel out of this State upon the obtaining of a Certificate of being free born, And Whereas also upon the oath of Thomas B. Culbreth of Caroline County aforesaid, that the said negro woman named Susan Mason for whom this Certificate is made was free born; I do therefore Grant her said application and hereby Certify that from her own Account, she is now about twenty nine years of age, five feet, four and one half inches high or thereabouts of a dark chestnut Complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County aforesaid, has a large Wart on her right Shoulder blade, and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed.



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