

State of Maryland, Caroline County to wit: Whereas Samuel Talbot died of Manumission recorded on the 29th day of January 1805, did let free a certain negro woman called Lydia; and her issue to be free at the age of 25 years.

And whereas application hath been made to me by a negro man called Allen Lockerman for a certificate of his freedom. And whereas on the oath of John C. Talbot that the said Allen Lockerman is the issue of the said Lydia & that he is now free.

I do therefore grant his said application & hereby certify that from his own account he is about 42 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches high or thereabouts, of a ~~black~~ complexion was born & raised in Caroline County & has a scar over the right eye & no other marks or scars that I have observed.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto ~~set my~~ subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this 25th day of March A.D. 1856.

Thos. MacFarlane Clerk

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit: Whereas James Whitston hath made application to me for a certificate of his freedom according to law. And whereas on the oath of Wm. K. Nicholson has been proven that said negro man was free born. I do therefore grant this Certificate: He is now about 26 years of age 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high or thereabouts of a black complexion, was born & raised in Caroline County and has a large scar on his fore-head & no other notable marks or scars that I have observed.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this 15th day of May A.D. 1836

Thos. MacFarlane Clerk