

To Joseph Richardem Esquire Clerk of Caroline County Courts

I the undersigned a free negro of Caroline County wishing to visit the City of Philadelphia for the purpose of seeing my children &c By an act of Assembly of this State. It is necessary my intentions of leaving this State should be made known to you it is my intention to return here again within three weeks from this date. —

Given under my hand this Seventeenth Day of November 1840. —
Jest Josiah Humphreys
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