To Jos. Richardson Esq: Clerk of Caroline County Court.

The undersigned as free negro of Caroline County, making application for the purpose of securing claim of any negro, — I am an object of charity of this State it is my intention, — I am a free negro of Caroline County that the said negro girl named Ann Jackson 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 was fourteen years of age the first day of June last past, four feet eleven inches high or thereabouts, of a black complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County, has several small scars of a burn on her right arm, and a small scar of a cut on her left hand a little below her wrist and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed. —

(Seal) In Testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the public seal of my office this 2d day of May Anno Domini 1833

Cost $1.00

Jo. Richardson Clk of Caroline County Court

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit; Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro woman named Hester Johnson for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to the act of assembly in such case made and provided, by which said act free negroes and mulattoes are permitted leave out of this state, upon the obtention of a certificate of being free born, and whereas also upon the oath of Joshua Clarke of Caroline County that the said negro woman named Hester Johnson for whom this certificate is made was free born; I do therefore grant her said application [illegible] from her own account she was twenty three years of [illegible]

Hester Johnson mark

Jos. M. Clark