

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit:—Whereas Bertha Ann Fountain hath made application ~~hath~~ to me for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to Law. ~~and~~ whereas on the oath of Joseph Sumner has been proven that the said Bertha Ann Fountain was free born. I do therefore grant this certificate. — She is now about nineteen years of age five feet five inches high or thereabout of a mulatto complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County and has a scar on the right side of her neck caused by a burn and has no other notable mark or scar that I have observed. —

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this eighteenth day of May Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

Robert J. Lump Clerk
of the Circuit Court for Caroline County.

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit. Whereas William Pratts hath made application to me for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to Law. ~~and~~ whereas on the oath of Levin Wright has been proven that the said William Pratts was free born. — I do therefore grant this certificate. He is now about twenty two years of age, five feet three inches high or thereabout of a Chestnut complexion and was born raised in Caroline County and has no notable mark or scar that I have observed. —

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and ~~affix~~ affix the Seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this 24th day of May Anno Domini 1859

Robert J. Lump Clerk
Circuit Court for Caroline County.