

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit:

Whereas Betsey Smith hath made application to me for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to law: And whereas on the oath of William A. Williams has been proved that said Betsey Smith is now free. I do therefore grant this certificate she is now about thirty years of age five feet and six inches high or thereabout of a black complexion was born and raised in Caroline County and has one scar on the left side of her jaw caused by the tooth ache & has no other marks or scars that I have observed.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this fourteenth day of September Anno Domini 1859.

Robert J. Cumpff

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit: Whereas Ruth Ann Friend hath made application to me for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to law. And whereas on the oath of John Gambell has been proved that said Ruth Ann Friend was free born. I do therefore grant this certificate she is now about twenty five years of age five feet and two inches high or thereabout of a black complexion was born & raised in Caroline County and has no marks or scars that I have observed.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County this fifteenth day of November Anno Domini 1859

Robt. J. Cumpff