

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit: Whereas heretofore to wit...  
On the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June Eighteen Hundred and forty two a certain  
Robert Bishop of the County and State aforesaid by deed of Commission  
duly executed acknowledged and recorded among the Land records  
books of Caroline County aforesaid, did Manumit and Set free a  
Certain negro boy named Frederick, born on the eleventh day of July  
Eighteen Hundred and thirty four to be free when he shall attain  
the age of twenty five years. And whereas application hath been  
made to me by a negro man now present calling himself Frederick  
Miers for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to law and whereas  
on the Oath of John R. Mountain has been proven that said  
Frederick Miers is the same boy Frederick named in the aforesaid  
deed of Manumission, and now free. I do therefore grant this Certificate  
he is now about twenty six years of age five feet and one half  
inches high or thereabout of Chestnut Complexion was born and raised  
in Caroline County and has no marks or scars that I have  
observed,

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name  
and affixed the Seal of the Circuit Court for Caroline County  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1860.

Robert J. Lumpkin