

attention of a certificate of their being free born: and whereas also upon the oath of James Harrison that the said Negro John Hynson was free born, I do therefore hereby certify that the said Negro John Hynson is five feet eight & a quarter inches high at the above date, he is twenty one year of age in June next, of a dark molatto, or brown complexion was born raised in Caroline county, has a scar on the knuckle joint of right fore finger, and the middle finger of his right hand crooked in the knuckle joint so that he can't straighten it, as he can the other fingers of the same hand, and no other notable mark that I have observed —

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set
 my hand affixed the public seal of my Office this
 27th day of April Anno Domini 1850

J. Richardson Clerk of
 Caroline County Court

State of Maryland Caroline County Court, Whereas by an act of the General Assembly, on the fifth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, a certain Richard Hughton of Caroline County aforesaid by deed of Manumission duly executed & recorded, did manumit & set free a certain negro man called Benjamin Seney to be free and at liberty from the said fifth day of May eighteen hundred and eighty, and whereas the same negro man Benjamin Seney ~~has~~ has made application to me for a certificate of his freed om, agreeably to the act of assembly in such case made and provided, and I, being satisfied by the oath of the said Richard Hughton that the said negro man Benjamin Seney, for whom this certificate is made, is the identical negro man mentioned in the said manumission, do ^{therefore} grant his said application, and hereby certify that the said negro man Benjamin Seney is free