

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit; Whereas application hath been made to me by a colored girl named Elizabeth Hutchins for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to an act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at Annapolis session Eighteen hundred and five, by which said act free negroes and mulattoes are permitted to travel out of this state upon the obtaining of a certificate of being free born, and whereas also upon the oath of Papus Warden of Caroline County, that the said negro girl named Elizabeth Hutchins for whom this certificate is made was free born —

I do therefore grant her said application and hereby certify that she is seventeen years of age the 28<sup>th</sup> of December 1822 or thereabouts she is about four feet ten and one quarter inches high or thereabouts was born and raised in Caroline County has a scar on her right arm rather on the upper part thereof, between three and four inches from her elbow, and no other notable marks or scars that I have observed —

In Testimony whereof I do subscribe my name and affix the public seal of my office this seventh day of September anno Domini 1822

John Richardson Esq.  
Caroline County Court

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit; Whereas on the Twenty eighth day of February in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and sixteen, James Pease of Caroline County, by deed of manumission duly executed, acknowledged and recorded, amongst the land records of Caroline County did manumit and set free a certain negro man named Thomas Berry, to be free on the Twenty eighth day of February Eighteen hundred and Twenty and the said negro man named Thomas Berry, having made application to me for a certificate of his freedom, agreeably to the act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and whereas also upon the testimony of Thomas Moyatt of Caroline County that the said negro man named Thomas Berry for whom this Certificate is made, is the same person mentioned in the said manumission, I do therefore grant his said Application, and hereby certify, that the said negro man named Thomas Berry is forty three years of age or thereabouts, he is about five feet, ten inches high of a mulatto complexion, was born and raised in local county, has a scar on his right eye brow extending up his forehead, and no other marks or scars that I have observed —

In Testimony whereof I do subscribe my name, and affix the public seal of my Office this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October anno Domini 1822

John Richardson Esq.  
Caroline County Court