


State of Maryland's Caroline County to wit: Whereas heretofore to wit: on the fifth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eight a certain Francis Layth of Caroline County by deed of manumission duly executed acknowledged and recorded among the land records, of Caroline County did manumit and set free a certain molatto boy named Charles, to be free and at liberty when he should arrive at the age of Twenty five years, and the said molatto boy now a man calling himself Charles (Causery) 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 Oath of Nimrod Andrew of Caroline County, that the said negro man Charles 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 from his age as expressed in the said manumission he is now about thirty years of age, five feet six and a quarter inches high or thereabouts, of a molatto complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County and has a small scar of a cut on his right cheek and another small scar of a cut on the right side of his nose and two small scars in his left eye brow - and no other notable mark or scar that I have discovered - In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix

 the Public Seal of my office this 23<sup>d</sup> day of June Anno Domini 1826

Jo. Richardson Clerk of  
Caroline County Court

Cost 50 cts

State of Maryland Caroline County to wit: Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro man named Joshua Bell for a Certificate of his freedom agreeably to the act of Assembly in such case made and provided, by which said Act free negroes and molattos are permitted to travel out of this state upon the obtention of a Certificate of being free born: and whereas upon the oath of Nimrod Andrew of Caroline County that the said negro man named Joshua Bell for whom this Certificate is made was free born: I do therefore grant his said application and hereby Certify that he is five feet six and a quarter inches high or thereabouts says he will be Twenty four years of age the fourteenth day of November next was born and raised in Caroline County, nearly of a black complexion, has three scars or marks under and near his right ear, and one other on his right jaw bone, his left leg injured and bent inward and the skin almost one continual scar: and no other scars or marks that I have discovered