

this 19 day of November Anno Domini Eighteen
hundred and twenty seven
The Seal of the Office
for Queen Anns County
See also E. F. Chambers' letter on file

State of Maryland, Queen Anns County, Tolson No 7

Whereas application has been made to me by a certain Negro Woman named Eliza, for a certificate of freedom under an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at November Session 1805 - I do therefore certify to all persons whom it doth or may concern, that by the last Will & Testaments of a certain John Mason, duly executed on the 26th day of December 1805 and proved in my Office on the 4th day of January 1806, ~~the~~ issue of a certain Negro Woman named Maria, were manumitted and set free when they shall respectively attain the age of twenty one years, and whereas the aforesaid Negro Woman Eliza, who is now five feet one inch and a quarter in height, twenty one years of age, dark complexion, a slender and delicate person, good teeth, a dark spot & scar on the ^{inner part} inside of her left arm & a smaller but similar spot and scar on the upper part of the same arm, both between the wrist and elbow joints; claims her freedom under the aforesaid clause in the will of the said John Mason - I do therefore further certify that a certain Mr. Mason of Queen Anns County has, upon his oath, declared the above described woman named Eliza, to be one of the issue of Negro Maria mentioned in the will of the aforesaid John Mason, and that she has attained the age of twenty one years - Given under my hand and

Seal

the Seal of my Office this 9th day of Jan 1828

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