

80 State of Maryland Queen Anns County To wit

Whereas a certain negro man named Dyer has made application to me 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 whom it doth or may Concern that by the last will & Testament of a certain Mary Harrison deceased duly executed on the 22^d day of September in the Year Eighteen hundred and Seven & proved in the Office of the Register of Wills for Kent County in the State of Maryland on the 1st day of May in the Year 1813 a Copy of which has been received and recorded on the Records of the Orphans Court of Queen Anns County, a certain Negro Man ~~Slave~~ named Dyer of a Mulatto or yellowish Complexion, five feet five Inches and one eighth of an Inch in height, has a scar on the right knee occasioned by a Burn, was bequeathed to a certain Rich^d. J. Harrison until he arrived at the age of twenty eight Years which time has expired by the death of a certain Samuel J. Harrison, the Brother of the aforesaid Richard J. Harrison, who at the same time identified the aforesaid Negro man Dyer to be the actual person so bequeathed by Mary Harrison the said Testatrix

Given under my hand and the Seal of my Office this 17th day of March 1823.

Wm. C. Earle Ref^l Wills
Queen Anns County.