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my hand and the seal of my Office this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November  
Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and twenty four. -

Thos. Charles D. Willis

Queen Anns County

State of Maryland, Queen Anns County So. Sect

Whereas a certain negro man named Joshua, 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 <sup>may</sup> or doth concern, that by the last Will and Testament of a certain Sarah Price, duly executed on the seventeenth day of September in the year Eighteen hundred & Seven, and proved in my Office on the twenty fifth day of September in the same year, a certain Negro Boy named Joshua of a dark complexion, five feet one inch & a half in height, a scar on his left arm just above the wrist, a scar on his forehead, a large scar on his right leg, another not so large on the lower part of the calf of the same leg, and a scar on <sup>his</sup> right temple, was bequeathed to a certain John W. Bordley in the following words VIZ  
"Item. - I give and bequeath to my Cousin John W. Bordley the service of my Negro boy Joshua for the term of five years" - His person identified by John W. Bordley to whom he, the said Negro man Joshua, was bequeathed as above stated. Given under my hand and the seal of my Office this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 1824

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