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Maryland Talbot County, Court: Thereby certify that Mr.  
Richard Harwood of the County and State of said, came  
& proved to my satisfaction that the bearer hereof a  
Dark mulatto man who calls himself Leon, and who  
is now about Twenty nine years of age - five feet two inches  
& an half high, and without any remarkable scars, is  
the identical person named in a manumission, made by  
Thomas Morgan of the County and State of said, to be free  
on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eight -  
which said manumission was duly executed and  
recorded among the said Record Books, of the County &  
State of said, when the said Leon was raised -  
In testimony whereof &c. this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
July 1811  
Hoochman

State of Maryland Talbot County Court:  
Thereby certify that Mr. Nicholas Watts  
of the County and State of said, came and  
proved to my satisfaction that the bearer  
hereof, colored man, who calls himself James  
Steel and who is now about thirty nine years of  
age five feet five inches, and an half high - poor  
broken and rather of a bright complexion is  
the identical person named in a manumission  
made by the said Nicholas Watts to the said  
James Steel on the thirtieth day of May in  
the year eighteen hundred and seven to be free from the  
date hereof - which said manumission was duly  
executed and recorded among the said Record  
of Talbot County of said, when the said James  
Steel was raised -  
In Testimony &c. this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of December 1811  
Hoochman