

8. Because when the said Jury were sworn there was not any issue or issues joined on the Record in this cause between the parties, as will appear by inspection of the Record and proceedings thereof. 4th. Because the Petition in this case was filed & trial thereon had in a Court held for the City & Precincts of Baltimore; which Court had no Jurisdiction of the Case, because by Act of Assembly Petitions for Freedom can only be tried in the County Court of the County where the Petitioner resides. But because the Court here are not advised to give their Judgment of and upon the Promises aforesaid day therefore is given to the Parties aforesaid before the Court here on the second Monday in January next, to hear their Judgment thereupon. At which said second Monday in January, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred comes again into the Court here, as well the said Margaret Creech by her Attorney aforesaid, as the said William Williams by his Attorney aforesaid. But because the Court here are not yet advised to give their Judgment of and upon the Promises aforesaid, day therefore is given to the Parties aforesaid before the Court here on the first Monday in March next to hear their Judgment thereupon. And now at this day to wit, the said first Monday in March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred, comes again into the Court here, as well the said Margaret Creech by William M. Meeker her Attorney, as the said William Williams by Nicholas Price and Samuel Chase Junia his Attornies. Whereupon all & singular the Promises aforesaid being by the Court here seen heard and fully understood, and Mature deliberation thereon had, for that it seems to the Court here that the said Verdict for the reasons aforesaid set forth, ought not to be set aside: Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Margaret Creech the Petitioner aforesaid be hence freed and discharged of and from the service of the said William Williams

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Williams and that the said Margaret Creech the Petitioner aforesaid go thereof without day and so forth. And it is also considered by the Court here, that the said Margaret Creech the Petitioner aforesaid recover against the said William Williams the quantity of Seventeen hundred and eighty three Pounds for the Costs and Charges of the said Margaret Creech which she hath laid out & expended in and about the prosecution of the Petition aforesaid in this behalf: And that she have her Execution thereof against the said William Williams and so forth.

Test. William Gibson Clk

Baltimore County Se: I hereby certify that the aforesaid is a true Copy taken from the Record of Proceedings of the Court aforesaid between the Parties aforesaid. In Testimony whereof (The seal of Baltimore County Court) (to this Exemplification, the same being first duly Stamped) I do hereby set my hand and the seal of the County Court aforesaid this twenty ninth Day of October One thousand and eight hundred

William Gibson Clk of Baltimore County Court

Without having proved that the Negro Margaret therein mentioned was the same Person named in the Coproduction of Mrs Elizabeth Chew herein before stated and the Court permitted the said Record to be read as Evidence of the pedigree of the Petitioner Whereupon the Defendant by his Counsel accepted to the Opinion of the Court and prayed them to sign & seal this his Bill of Exceptions which is accordingly done this 13th day 1812

Thos. Marshall Seal

Robert Moody } At the Trial of this Cause in
Richard Jones } addition to the several matters before
Boose a Mulatto Man with a woolly Head as a witness } Stated the petitioner called for