

but that he shall stand and be in the same Plight and Condition to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever as if the Crime whereof he the said Elijah hath been convicted had never been done or committed

GIVEN under the Seal of the State of Maryland this twenty ninth Day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Eighty six.

Annapolis September 29<sup>th</sup> 1786.

Whereas it hath been represented to me that Rachel Knight of Baltimore County is now confined in the Goal of the said County on suspicion of being guilty of horse stealing, that he is a young Man of reputable Connections, who would innocently be involved in the ignominy attending a public trial - and several respectable Gentlemen of Baltimore Town having earnestly solicited the interposition of Government - I have thought proper to order and direct that all Proceedings at Law for the said Offence do cease and determine and that no further Prosecution be had or carried on against the said Rachel Knight for or concerning the same

M. Smattwood

To Luther & Martin Esq. Attorney General or the Prosecutor of the Criminal Pleas in Baltimore County Court