

City of Annapolis July 10<sup>th</sup> 1797

The State of Maryland, To all our Bailiffs and good people to whom these presents shall come Greeting — Whereas Hannah Duffey was on the Twenty-fourth ultimo sentenced and adjudged by George Gaultsmith Presbury Esquire one of the Justices of the peace for Baltimore County to work and labour in a place of Confinement for the Space of one year for and on account of her being charged by Ann Smith with keeping a disorderly house and having private connection with the said Ann's Husband; and Whereas the said Hannah Duffey has been recommended to me by several persons inhabitants of Baltimore County as an object worthy the interposition of Government, I have thought proper to pardon the said Hannah Duffey for the offence aforesaid, and do hereby order and Direct that she be discharged from the service to which she hath been adjudged. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland this Tenth day of July Seventeen Hundred and ninety seven.

By the Governor  
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J. H. Stone

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The State of Maryland To all our Bailiffs and good people to whom these presents shall come Greeting — Whereas at a special Court of Oyer and Terminer and general Goal Delivery held for Somerset County at Princeps Ann Town in and for the said County on the first Monday in July Seventeen hundred and ninety seven, Negro Michael Slave of Sarah Jones was indicted arraigned and found guilty of the Murder of a certain Joshua Night, and sentenced by the said Court to be hanged by the neck untill he be dead; Now knowye that I have thought proper by and in pursuance of the power vested in me by Law to commute and change the said Sentence of Death against the said Negro Michael

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