

to date hereof cause the said Negro Joseph Simpson to be transported out of the United States and sold as a Slave for life, for the benefit of the State of Maryland the said Sheriff to take sufficient Bond and Security from the person to whom the said Negro Joseph Simpson shall be delivered to comply fully with the aforesaid conditions. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland at the city of Annapolis this tenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety Eight

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City of Annapolis September 18th 1798

The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Baltimore County, greeting

Whereas Thomas White of Baltimore County was at a court of Ayer and Geraminer and goal Delivery for the said County at November Term last, presented and found guilty of forging the name of James Barry to a promissory note, and was by the said Court fined the sum of fifty pounds, and committed to the prison of the said County there to remain for one year and Whereas two of the Judges of the said Court together with a number of respectable persons inhabitants of the said County have recommended him to the Clemency of Government; I have thought proper to pardon the said Thomas White for the offence aforesaid on condition of his enlisting on board of one of the ships of war of the United States. — Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland this eighteenth day of September seventeen hundred and Ninety eight

attest Kieran Pinkney Clk

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City of Annapolis

The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Prince Georges County greeting

Maria Shorter of Prince Georges County hath been indicted arraigned and found guilty of Burglary and the Judges of a special Court of Ayer and Geraminer and general goal Delivery begun and held in the Town of Upper Marlboro in and for the said County the Twenty third day of August last, was sentenced to be hanged by the neck until she be dead, Now know ye that I have thought proper by and in pursuance of the powers vested in me by Law, to commute and change the said sentence of death against the said Maria Shorter into labour in the work House of Baltimore County under such provisions and regulations as are therein provided and do hereby order and direct that instead of the said Maria