

His excellency William Findlay, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has stated to me that the said Anson Smith hath fled from the said State from justice and is now confined in the Gaol of Cecil County in the State of Maryland and hath in pursuance of the Constitution of the United States and the Act of Congress entitled, "An Act respecting fugitives from Justice and persons escaping from the service of their masters" demanded of me the said Anson Smith as a fugitive from Justice and that he be delivered up to Mr. John Hart who has been duly appointed agent on the part of the Executive Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to receive the said Anson Smith and to remove him to the said Commonwealth having jurisdiction of the offence with which he is charged. I have therefore thought proper in pursuance of the said Constitution and Act of Congress to order and direct that you deliver the said Anson Smith to the said John Hart to be removed to the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provided the said Anson Smith has not been committed to the said Gaol for having violated any of the laws of this State. Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this fourth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

By the Governor  
Amian Pinkney  
Clerk of the Council

Charles Ridgely of Hopton

By the Petition of George Brent and Henry Sathorn accompanied by a Transcript from the Proceedings of the Court of Charles County it appears that they entered into a Recognizance in the sum of twenty pounds current money for the appearance of a certain William Thomas at the said Court at March Term eighteen hundred and sixteen to answer a presentment and so forth and that the same was forfeited at March Term eighteen hundred and seventeen George Brent one of the Petitioners states that the said William Thomas did attend at the said March Term eighteen hundred and seventeen and that the said Thomas was anxious to take his Trial and that they frequently called on Nicholas Stonestreet Esquire, who was