

17th August 1760

Maryland to wit

Frederick Mactate Lord and Proprietary of the  
 Province of Maryland and Walter Lord Baron of Baltimore Shallice  
 Bailiffs and good People to whom these presents shall come Greeting Wher  
 John Ireland of Ann Arundel County Gentleman stands charged for a Felony and  
 Homicide committed on the Body of the Negro Slave called Frank the Property of  
 James Carroll Esq. Know ye that We of Our especial Grace certain Knowledge  
 and mere motion and at the humble Petition of the said John Ireland have Par  
 doned Released and Discharged and by these Presents for Us Our Heirs and  
 Successors do pardon Release and Discharge to the said John Ireland of Ann  
 Arundel County Gentleman or by any other Name or Addition City Military or  
 Place the said John Ireland was lately or now known distinguished and  
 called the Melanijane Homicide of the said Negro Frank and every the Trespass  
 and other misdeeds in any manner touching or concerning the Death of the  
 said Negro Frank and all and every kind of Suit Complaint Action impeach  
 ment and Demand whatsoever which he against the said John Ireland  
 by Reason or Occasion of the Premises now or may hereafter have and Prose  
 cution of the Peace which tolls against the said John Ireland belongs or hereaft  
 may belong and therefore We give and Grant unto the said John Ireland Our full  
 Peace that he will stay surcease and forbear any Proceedings at Law upon  
 the Felony and Homicide aforesaid by these Presents so that he may stand Right  
 in all Courts if any Person against him shall Object the Premises or any of them  
 Witness Our trusty and well beloved Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor and  
 Commander in Chief in and over Our said Province of Maryland this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
 August in the Fifteenth year of Our said Majesty Anno Domini 1760

Alphonso Scott Clerk

The following letter and Deposition relates to the shooting of Negro Frank  
for which the above pardon was granted.

17th Judge Landing 24 Aug 1760

In Obedience to your Excellency's commands I do myself the Honour  
 to inclose you within this Deposition relative to the Circumstances attending  
 Mr Ireland's shooting Mr Carrolls Negro Frank and Henry Howards as both  
 I am confident of the you will happen to have an extraordinary Proof of the truth of  
 Scott's testimony for while I was reading the Deposition over to him a Negro  
 Fellow