

None of the gentlemen who have made this application are more
most respectable for judgment and character in Maryland, and any recom-
mendation from such a source merits the most implicit confidence. We earnestly request
your Excellency to give this subject your earliest consideration and should the pro-
posed measure meet with your approbation, this Department will most cheerfully
pledge the faith of the State of Maryland for the reimbursement of any expenses
which be incurred in its prosecution. We have the honor to be with sentiments
His Excellency James Monroe Charles Ridgely of Harp

To Council Chamber Annapolis July 17-1817

Information having been received by the Executive of this State that a certain
Solon Lacy did in the Month of June last in Baltimore County redraft a free
White Boy named Aaron Hubbard and did sell him as a slave for life
in Alexandria in the District of Columbia and that the said Solon Lacy
is now confined in the Jail of Alexandria in the District of Columbia.
I have therefore to demand of your honor, the said Solon Lacy as a fugitive
from Justice agreeably to the Act of Congress thereto relating and that he be
delivered to Richard Butler whom I have appointed Agent to receive the said
Solon Lacy and remove him to this State. For your Excellency's information I
have enclosed you authenticated Depositions on which this application is
grounded.

The honorable William Branch
Chief Justice of the District of Columbia

I have the honor to be
Charles Ridgely of Harp

To Council Chamber Annapolis July 17-1817

Whereas a certain William Emick stands charged by the affidavit of
Christian Miller of the City of York in the State of Pennsylvania with
stealing a valuable horse from the said Miller on the Night of the twenty
first of August last an authenticated copy of which affidavit has been
transmitted to me by His Excellency Simon Bernard Governor of Pennsyl-
vania and it being represented by the said Simon Bernard that the said
William Emick hath fled from the said State from whence and is now con-
fined in the Jail of Baltimore County in this State and hath in possession of
the residence of the United States and the State of Maryland intended for an
escaping fugitive from Justice and he was accordingly from the Justice of the
Peace's demand of me that the said William Emick be delivered to the
Master of the Agent appointed for that purpose. I do therefore hereby request you
to deliver the said William Emick to the said Solon Lacy to be removed to the
State of Pennsylvania to answer the charge aforesaid.

The Sheriff of Baltimore County

I have the honor to be
Charles Ridgely of Harp