

Sir,

Council Chamber
Annapolis, June 6th 1830

In direction of His Excellency Governor Thomas J. in compliance with the Resolution of the General Assembly of this State, which I had the honor to transmit to your Excellency the last year I send herewith by Mail to your address, 16 volumes being a complete set, so far as published, of the Reports & Decisions by the Supreme Judiciary of this State, and also three copies of the Laws passed at the last Session of the General Assembly.

I have the honor to remain
with the highest respect your

Very Sir
Obey of the foregoing sent to
the Governor of each State and
Territory in the Union.

Wm. C. Cullbreth

Dear Sir,

Council Chamber
Annapolis, June 13th 1830

I have been looking for you here for several days past, & am glad to see you. I was particularly glad to see you by what Mr. Smith mentioned.

The bearer Mr. Freeman of Georgia, will present you a petition for the Pardon of a convict in the Penitentiary upon condition of his transportation out of the State. You will see by the papers that the convict is a slave, although the Court must have sentenced him, under the impression that he was free. I have examined the Laws and find that they in 1818 Chapter 197 Section 1 expressly declare that no negro or Mulatto slave shall be sentenced to the Penitentiary. The punishment prescribed for slaves is corporal chastisement or transportation. A Pardon upon condition of transportation would, therefore, free him from illegal and inflict the punishment designed by the Law.

Both Mr. Cullbreth and myself have been considerably indisposed since we returned home, but we are both recovering. I hope that you and family are all well, and with the best respects to Mr. J. from Mr. C.

I remain truly
your friend

Wm. C. Cullbreth

His Excellency
James Thomas
Governor
Charlotte
St. Mary's County