

Ann Arundel County (To wit)

Knows all men by these Presents that  
I Thomas Rutland Son of Edmund of the  
County aforesaid for and in consideration  
of the sum of one hundred and Twelve  
Pounds Ten Shillings Current Money to  
him in Hand Paid by Thomas Sands  
of the City of Annapolis Master at and  
before the Insealing and Delivery of  
these Presents the Receipt whereof is  
Hereby acknowledged he the said Thomas  
Rutland hath Granted Bargained Sold  
and Delivered and by these Presents  
doth Grant Bargain Sell and Deliver  
unto the said Thomas Sands one Negro  
Man named Tom To have and to hold  
the said Negro Man to the said Thomas  
Sands his Heirs Executors administrators and  
assigns forever and the said Thomas  
Rutland for himself his Heirs Executors  
and administrators will Warrant and  
forever Defend the said Negro Man Tom  
to him the said Thomas Sands his Heirs  
Executors administrators and assigns  
Inwitness whereof the said Thomas Rutland  
hath hereunto set his Hand and Seal the  
thirteenth day of September 1703

Signed Sealed and Delivered  
in the Presence of us  
Francis Fairbrother  
Wm. Hyde

Thos. Rutland