No 17

State of Maryland, Queen Ann's County To wit

Whereas application has been made to me by a certain Negro Man named James, for a certificate of freedom under an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at November Session 1805. — I do therefore Certify to all whom it may concern, that a certain Negro Man named James, now about twenty six years of age, five feet four and a half inches in heigth, complexion black, well built, round face and good countenance, has a small scar just above the right Eye brow and a scar on his right Arm, was manumitted and set free by the last Will & Testament of a certain Arthur Carter, duly executed on the 20th day of April 1804 and proved in my Office on the 21st day of December 1805 — His freedom to commence on his attaining the age of 25 years — His person was identified by the Oath of a certain Arthur Carter, Son of the Testator, who states that Estate of the deceased was perfectly solvent. Given under my hand and the Seal of my Office, this 25th day of Augt Anno Domini 1828

Ho. Grace Ofc Ollis
for Queen Ann's County

The original was written on parchment & the seal impressed on rose paper & confined with a blue ribbon

No 18

State of Maryland, Queen Ann's County, To wit:

Whereas application has been made to me by a certain Negro Woman named Caffey, for a certificate of freedom under an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at November Session 1805 — I do therefore certify to all persons whom it may concern, that a certain Negro Girl named Caffia usually called Caffey, now about twenty six or seven years of age, dark complexion, five feet

and three quarters of an inch in heigth, three small scars on her left Arm very near each other; also round black scar on her right Arm which she states was occasioned by a burn — her form rather delicate, was manumitted and set free by the last Will and Testament of a certain Arthur Emory, duly executed on the 8th day of March and proved in my Office on the 7th day of April Eighteen hundred and seven — Her freedom to commence in twenty years from the date of the said Will Her person was identified by a certain Doct John Davidge Emory, who was the Executor of the said Arthur

Given under my hand and the Seal of my Office, this 26th day of Augt Anno Domini 1828

Ho. Grace Ofc Ollis
for Queen Ann's County

The original is on parchment the seal impressed on rose colored paper & confined by a blue ribbon

No 19

State of Maryland, Queen Ann's County To wit

Whereas application has been made to me by a certain Negro Woman named Betty, who calls herself Betty Cain, for a certificate of freedom under an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at November Session 1805. — I do therefore certify to all whom it may concern, that a certain Negro Woman named Betty now about 33 years of age, dark complexion 5 feet 5 inches and a quarter in heigth, a scar near the corner of her left eye brow, also a scar just above the elbow of her right Arm, slender made and has lost one of her upper fore teeth, was manumitted and set free by the last Will and Testament of a certain Philip Feddeman, duly executed on the 18th day of July 1821 and proved in my Office on the 22d day of Jany 1822 — Her freedom to commence on the 1st day of Jany next after the decease of the said Philip Feddeman — Her