Frederick Nov 23d/1839

Dear Sir

I have a young Coloured man aged 21 years who is to go to Africa or remain a slave for life, at his own option, according to his late Masters will — As the period has arrived for me to enforce the said clause, I would be happy to hear when your next expedition sails to Cape Palmas, & whether he can be accommodated with a passage? His term of service will expire on the 9th Proximo, & if there is room for him in your vessel, I will make an effort with the Colonization Society of this City, to furnish him with comfortable clothing &c; to do which, will require I imagine some expidition I hope therefore you will reply promptly and oblige

Very Respectfy
Yours &c
Alb. Ritchie

Rev Ira A Easton

John B. Russwurm
Cape Palmas - Africa
care
Franklin Anderson Esq
Nov. 19/1839.

Franklin Anderson Esq
Corresponding Secretary
Md. State Col. Society
Baltimore Md.

Maryland Historical Society

The Maryland State Colonization Society Papers

II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

6. 1839--1840

1839