In the last Will and testament of Tabitha Townsend late of Worcester County, Maryland deceased, dated the 26th day of February 1830 and duly admitted to probate in the Office of the Register of Wills of said County of Worcester on the 21 day of May 1833. Among other devises and bequests is the following, to wit.

"First, It is my Will and desire that my negro man Luke be free and discharged from all manner of servitude or slavery from and after the day of my death."

A true Extract from the Original Will.

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