Davis Richardson
to
B. Amos Cunningham

Sale dated 4th and recorded 17th day of august 1840. By which is sold to the said B. Amos Cunningham the following named negroes to wit: Patrick Nailer aged about fifty years, Rebecca Nailer aged about forty two years, Jim Lewis aged about fifty one years, and Sibby Lewis aged about forty five years all to serve the said B. Amos Cunningham untill the 12th day of January 1841. George Henry Nailer aged about twenty one years to serve until the fourteenth day of September 1848. Horace Nailer aged about eighteen years to serve until the twenty sixth day of March 1852. Otho Nailer aged about sixteen years, to serve until the twelfth day of august 1854. and Maria Lewis aged about sixteen years to serve until the fifteenth day of December 1857. and which several times the aforesaid negroes will be entitled to their freedom under the last testament and will of John Hoselbock late of Frederick decd. no description given parties reside in Frederick County.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of Frederick County Court this 18th day of august 1840.

Henry Schley clk
Fred. Cty Ct Md.

To all whom it may concern, be it known that I, Henry Smith of Frederick County in the State of Maryland for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving as also in further consideration of one dollar current money to me in hand paid, have released from slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free, and by these presents, do hereby release from slavery, liberate, manumit and set free my Negro woman named Elizabeth Robison, being of the age of thirty four years and able to work and gain a livelihood and maintenance, and her the said Elizabeth Robison, I do hereby declare to be henceforth free, manumitted and discharged from all manner of servitude or service to me, my executors or administrators forever. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of
John Witmer. Benjm. Witmer

Henry his ✗ mark Smith (Seal)

Received on the day of the above date the sum of one dollar, it being the full consideration money above mentioned.

B. Witmer.

Henry his ✗ mark Smith (Seal)

State of Maryland Washington County Set: Be it remembered that on this 17th day of August eighteen hundred and forty, personally appears Henry Smith, party to the within Instrument of writing, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County in the State of Maryland and acknowledges the same to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned, and the negro woman within named to be henceforth manumitted and discharged from all services to him or to any claiming under him, and to be free and manumitted, according to the act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

Acknowledged before me,
John Witmer.

True Copy, Test.
O. H. Williams Clk.

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