

To all whom it may concern be it known that I, John Barnes of Washington County, State of Maryland, for divers good reasons, have released from slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate, manumit and set free, my coloured woman named Caroline Barnes, aged about thirty years and her two children one named Joseph Marshall Barnes aged four years, and Caroline Virginia aged one year.

The said Caroline Barnes was purchased by me from Jacob Motter in September 1830 by Bill of Sale recorded in the Clerk's Office of this County, and then the said Caroline and her two children Joseph Barnes and Caroline Virginia, I do declare to be henceforth free forever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty third day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty one.

Signed sealed and acknowledged according to law in the presence of

Wm. Wise

Ans. Thompson Mason

John Barnes Seal

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:
Be it remembered that on this 23^d day of September in the year 1841, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared John Barnes, a free coloured man and the party grantor in the foregoing deed of manumission, and acknowledges the same to be his act and deed for the purposes therein particularly mentioned -

G. W. Smith

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O. H. Williams, clk.

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