Negro Girl Anne 9 years or thereabouts
do do Harriet 6 " " "
Allen Bennett Executor of the last will
and Testament of Benjamin Bennett dec.d"

In Testimony whereof I hereto
subscribe my name and affix the
Seal of Office this 8.th day of
June 1844.
Test.
John B. Dungan Register of Wills
for Carroll County
Mary Land

No. 29 28. 2932
From Carroll County
to the
Board of Col. Managers
30 June 1844

In the Records of Somerset County, amongst other matter is the following: to wit:

To all whom it may concern be it known, that I James Lister of Somerset County and State of Maryland for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving, have released from slavery, liberated manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate manumit and set free, Sarah Lister my daughter and slave, whom I purchased of Henry Gale Exr. of Stephen Taylor, aged about twenty three years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood or maintenance, and her the said Sarah Lister I do declare to be henceforth free, manumitted and discharged from all manner of service or servitude to me, my executors or administrators forever. In witness whereof I James Lister free negro man, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this thirtieth day of April Eighteen hundred and forty four.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Edward M. Wise – Wm. W. Handy

James his + mark Lister (Seal)

State of Maryland, Somerset County, to wit: Be it remembered that on this 30th day of April 1844, personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the County and State aforesaid, James Lister party grantor above named and acknowledged the aforegoing deed of manumission to be his act and deed, according to the act of Assembly in such cases made and provided.

Edward M. Wise

April the 30th day Anno Domini 1844. There was delivered unto me the subscriber the within Manumission in order to be enrolled among the records of Somerset County, which said manumission together with the acknowledgment thereof thereon endorsed is accordingly enrolled among the same records in Liber B. H. folios 179 & 180. On the day and year aforesaid

Per Levin Handy Clk.

Maryland Set: I hereby certify that the above is truly copied from Liber B. H. folios 179 & 180 One of the Record Books remaining in the office of the Clerk of Somerset County Court.

In Testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of Somerset County Court, this Seventeenth day of June Eighteen hundred and forty four

Levin Handy Clk Somerset County Court

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