Extract from a Deed of Manumission from John C. Dickson dated the 22d day of March 1847 —

"I 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 man William, otherwise called Bill, being of the age of twenty six years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and him the said negro man named alias Bill I do declare to be henceforth free manumitted and discharged from all manner of service or servitude to me my executors or administrators forever —"

State of Maryland Worcester County Sc: I do hereby certify that the aforegoing is truly extracted from a deed of manumission under the seal of John C. Dickson and recorded with the acknowledgment thereon in Liber G.H.S. No 9 folio 422

In testimony whereof I do hereby subscribe my name and affix the seal of Worcester County Court this twenty sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven

Edward D. Martin Clk W.C.C.

This Indenture Witnesseth that I John Fountain of Somerset County and State of Maryland being lawfully possessed and entitled to in my own right a negro woman Caroline of the age of seventeen years and being desirous of manumitting or setting her at liberty do hereby for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving, manumit, set at liberty and free the said Caroline from service and from any claim which I may have upon her and set her at entire liberty from the date of the execution of these presents.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal this third day of April in the year eighteen hundred and forty seven

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
William S. Waters
John E. Fountaine

Jno. T. Fountain (Seal)

State of Maryland Somerset County, to wit: Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this third day of april in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland for the County aforesaid John Fountaine the party above named and acknowledged the above deed of manumission to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned William A Fisher J.P.

Maryland ss. I hereby certify that the foregoing is truly copied from the original now on file for record in the office of the Clerk of Somerset County.

In witness whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Somerset County Court this fifth day of april anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-seven

M. L. Polk Clk

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