Molly Thomas against Raphael Boarman	The same proceedings and Judgment &c. in this case Mutatis Mutandis as in that of John Thomas against Raphael Boarman entered in this book in page one hundred and Eighteen. Test John Gwinn Clk.

Mary Thomas and her two Children Letty and Robert against Thomas Lancaster	Be it remembered, that heretofore to wit, on the seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, Mary Thomas for herself and her two children Letty and Robert by Gabriel Duvall her attorney preferred and filed in the General Court here petition for freedom against Thomas Lancaster, which is in form following, to wit.

To the honourable the judges of the General Court, The Petition of Mary Thomas and her two children Letty and Robert humbly sheweth; that they are held in Slavery by Thomas Lancaster of Charles County, and they are advised that they are entitled to their Freedom being descended from a free white woman (whose name was Elizabeth Thomas) in the female line. They therefore pray your honours the premises considered to discharge them from the Custody of the said Thomas Lancaster; if they should prove their descent as aforesaid; and that summons may issue for the said Thomas Lancaster to answer this petition and they will pray and so forth. G. Duvall for Petr.

Whereupon in pursuance of the rule of the Court here in such cases made and provided, the said Mary Thomas for herself and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid on the twenty third day of the same month and year aforesaid, prosecuted and sued forth out of the General Court here the writ of the State of Maryland of Subpoena ad respondendum against the said Thomas Lancaster, directed to the sheriff of Charles County in form following to wit.

The State of Maryland to wit. To the sheriff of Charles County Greeting. We Command you that you summons Thomas Lancaster late of Charles County that all excuses and delays set a side he be and appear before the judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of October next to answer the

the petition of Mary Thomas and her two children Letty and Robert preferred against him for freedom hereof he is not to fail and fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness the honourable Thomas Johnson Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 16th day of June Anno Domini 1791.

Issued the 23d day of September Anno Domini 1791. G.D. John Gwinn Clk.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the Eleventh day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, and the day of the return of the aforegoing summons comes into the General Court here the said Mary Thomas for herself and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of Charles County aforesaid to whom the said summons was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit. N.E. Thos. A. Dyson Shff.

And the said Thomas Lancaster comes not into Court here. Whereupon the said Mary Thomas for herself and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid afterwards to wit, on the twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one again prosecuted and sued forth out of the General Court here the writ of the State of Maryland of Subpoena ad respondendum against the said Thomas Lancaster directed to the sheriff of Charles County in form following to wit.

The State of Maryland to wit. To the sheriff of Charles County, greeting. We command you that you summon Thomas Lancaster late of Charles County that all excuses and delays set a side he be and appear before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of May next to answer the petition of Mary Thomas and her two children Letty and Robert preferred against him for freedom hereof he is not to fail and fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness the Honourable Samuel Chase Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 1st day of November Anno Domini 1791.

Issued the 13th day of December Anno Domini 1791. G.D. Jno. Gwinn Clk.

At which said second tuesday of May being the Eighth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, and the day of the return of the last aforegoing summons, comes again into the General Court here the said Mary Thomas for herself and her two children aforesaid by