

170

five feet and a half inches high, of a dark complexion, is a free man (and obtained his freedom by virtue of a Deed of Manumission executed by Robert Mothers on the 27th February 1798 and recorded amongst the Land Records of Prince Georges County

Given under my hand (and seal of office) this twenty second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Aquila Bead
R. B. B.

Maryland Prince Georges County

I hereby certify that the bearer hereof a coloured man named Richard, alias Richard

Shorter of a dark complexion, about five feet eight inches high,

aged about twenty one years, having several scars on his breast, is a free

man, being the descendant of Negro pole, who was manumitted by Robert

Mothers by Deed bearing date the 27th February 1798 and recorded amongst the