

and seventeen }
 Signed Sealed and delivered } William P. Hardisty Esq
 in presence of: Thomas }
 Whittington - Tho. Owens

On the back of the foregoing deed was thus written
 to wit: Anne Annand County Clerk: On the sixteenth
 day of September 1817 personally appeared William P
 Hardisty party to the within instrument appearing before
 me the undersigned a Justice of the peace of the County
 aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act
 and deed for the purposes within mentioned and the
 negroes within named to be henceforth manumitted
 and discharged from all services to him or to any
 claiming under him and to be free and manumitted
 according to the act of Assembly in such cases made
 and provided. Acknowledged before
 John H D Lane

$\frac{3}{4}$ Recorded the 16th day of September 1817

I Sarah Norris of the County of Anne Arundel
 in the State of Maryland do hereby set free from
 bondage my negro woman named Rachel Dennis
 aged thirty four years and do also set free from
 bondage her child named Leonard aged four
 months and twenty five days on this day the
 twenty ninth of September in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and
 do for myself my Executors and administrators
 release unto the said Rachel and Leonard all
 my right and all claim whatsoever to their
 person or to any Estate they may require hereby
 declaring the said Rachel and Leonard are absolutely
 free without any interruption from me or any
 person or persons whatsoever claiming under me
 In,