

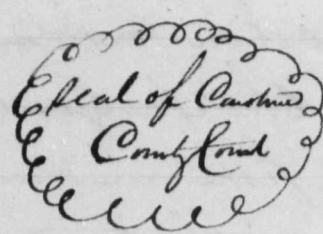
high or thereabouts, was born and raised in Caroline County, and of black complexion, and has a small scar of cut near the first joint of his left thumb, and another small scar just above the wrist joint, and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed -

 In Testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the public seal of my office this 14th day of January A.D. 1845.

To Richard Ford ~~Att~~ of
Caroline County Court

Cost - \$1.00

State of Maryland, Caroline County, to wit; Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro man named John Prattis for a Certificate of his freedom agreeably to the acts of Assembly in such case made and provided, by which said acts free negroes and mulattoes are permitted to travel out of this State upon the ~~obtention~~ obtaining of a Certificate of being free born. And Whereas also upon the Oath of Jesse Hubbard Senr. of Caroline County aforesaid that the said negro man ~~named~~ John Prattis for whom this Certificate is made was free born. I do therefore grant his said application and hereby Certify that from this our account he is now about twenty five years of age five feet eight and one half inches high or thereabouts was born and raised in Caroline County and of a ^{black} ~~dark~~ complexion and has no notable marks or scars that I have observed.

 In Testimony whereof, I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Caroline County Court, this twenty fifth day of February Eighteen hundred and forty five -
James H. Fountain Clerk of
Caroline County Court

State of Maryland, Caroline County, to wit; Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro man named William Turner junr for a Certificate of his freedom agreeably to the acts of Assembly in such case made and provided, by which said acts free negroes and mulattoes are permitted to travel out of this State upon the obtaining of a Certificate of being free born: And Whereas also upon the oath of William Connelly of Caroline County aforesaid