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State of Maryland Caroline County to wit. Whereas application has been made to me by a negro man named Peter Dill for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to an act of assembly of the said State passed at November Session Eighteen hundred and five by which, said act free negroes & Mulattoes are permitted to travel out of the said State upon their obtaining of a certificate of their being free born and whereas also upon the oath of Jacob Reese that the said negro ~~man~~ Peter Dill was free born. I do therefore hereby certify that the said negro Peter Dill is five feet seven inches high or thereabouts, says he is about twenty five years of age the seventeenth day of May Eighteen hundred and eighteen of a black complexion has a small scar across the second joint of his left thumb a small scar between his eyebrows rather on the right side & above the upper part of his nose, his right little finger & the two next to it crooked & the left little finger crooked, and no other notable mark that I have observed —

Seal

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed the public seal of my Office this 25th day of May Anno Domini 1818 —

Jos Richardson Clerk of
Caroline County Court

Caroline County to wit,
Whereas on the fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and sixteen Daniel Cheegmow of Caroline County by Deed of manumission duly executed acknowledged and recorded amongst the records of Caroline County did manumit and set free a negro man named Jacob Howard to be free from the date of manumission and whereas also the said negro man named Jacob Howard hath made application to me for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to an act of assembly in such case made and provided