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Maryland Caroline County to wit

Whereas on the ~~second~~ day of March seventeen hundred and ninety one, Richard Loockerman 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 boy called Sam to be free January 1816. as it appears of Record, and Whereas the said negro Sam has made application to me for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to the acts of assembly in such case made and provided and I being satisfied by the testimony of William Sloop and Mrs Rachel Rhodes of the County aforesaid that the said negro Sam for whom this certificate is made, is the same person mentioned in said manumission I do therefore grant his said application and hereby certify that from the age expressed in said manumission he was twenty six years old on the third day of March last, he is five feet five and one quarter inches high or thereabout, has a scar on his right ankle and a scar on his right hand, was raised in Caroline County, of a dark complexion, tolerably well made, and no other notable marks that I have discovered.

Test In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed the public seal of my office this twenty fifth day of June Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and seventeen

J. B. Howard Writhe. J.
Caroline County Court

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Whereas application hath been made to me by a Black woman named Martha Fountain for a certificate agreeably to an act of the general assembly of Maryland passed at November Session Eighteen hundred and five, by which said act free negroes and Probators are permitted to travel out of this state upon their obtention of a certificate of being free born, And Whereas also upon the oath of Mrs Catharine Stewart of Caroline County that the said negro woman named Martha Fountain