

with several persons citizens of Annapolis have prayed
the interposition of Government in his favour. I have
therefore thought proper to pardon the said Negro
Jesse for the offence aforesaid and do hereby order
and direct that he be released from the service to
which he hath been adjudged - Given under my
hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this
seventeenth day of October in the Year of our Lord one
Thousand Eight Hundred and Eight

By the Governor

Ninian Pinkney

Clerk of the Council

Robert Wright

The State of Maryland to wit. Whereas John Wood
of Baltimore County was heretofore at a Court of
Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for Baltimore
County in July eighteen Hundred and seven indicted
in two several Indictments for forging two checks
in the name of Francis J. Mitchell one on the office
of Discount and Deposit, the other on the Bank of
Maryland on the testimony of Leonard J. Boone,
and whereas he was tried on one of said Indictments
on the testimony of said Boone in July term Eighteen
Hundred and seven and acquitted, and whereas the
other Indictment has been continued at the last term
for the want of the Testimony of said Boone who atten-
ded in July term eighteen Hundred and seven when
the said case ought to have been tried - and whereas
this unreasonable Delay has unavoidably protracted
the horrid feelings attendant on such a charge, and
whereas our constitution declares that Justice shall
be administered speedily and without delay, and whe-
reas by the representation of a great number of respectable
citizens it appears that the said Wood supported an
impeachable character till these charges on one of
which he has been acquitted. In consideration whereof
I do hereby order and direct that