

Emancipation Record
Record of Certificates of the Freedom of Negroes

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Record of Black and Mulatto persons
Blak & mulatto Persons

Owen Davis enters Jonathan, a negro boy aged nine years, on the 1st day of September 1805

James Towler enters two young Negroes or Mulattoes (to wit) Robin Barkson, who was born September 17, 1796 - Richard Barkson his brother was born in October 1798-

David Patterson a black man this day came into my office to enter his name as a freeman, and agreeably to an act of assembly in such case made and provided~Sept. 1st 1816 [1806?]

John Paul Clk [Clerk]-

Cuff a black man has entered his name with me this 23rd day of Sept 1806-

William Stanton enters the names of three free Negroes (to wit) Kinchen, Amey and Drury on the 2d-day of February 1807-

John Sale enters one young Negro boy on Record by the name of Pleasant who was born on the 4th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five. March 20th 1807

Teste [witness] John Paul, Clk
[Clerk] C.G.C. [Clerk Greene County]

Looby Johnson-

April the 13th 1805

Virginia, Powhatan county-

Looby Johnson a black man who was brought from the county and state aforesaid to the county of Greene Horatio Maxey, this day had himself recorded agreeably to an act of assembly in that case made and provided, and then produced the following certificate under the hand of Mr. Bennett Maxey

I, Bennett Maxey do certify that Looby a black man was born the property of John Maxey my father and raised by him, and that he the said John ~~and~~ did emancipate the said Looby at the age of twenty one years, and that he is now entitled to all the privileges of free Negroes- Given under my hand this 13th day of April 1805

Bennet Maxey

I do certify that the above certificate was acknowledged in my office by the said Bennett Maxey the 13th day of April 1805.

John Paul C.G.C. [Clerk Greene County]

Jackson Davis-

June the 6th 1807. This day Jackson Davis a black free man entered his name.

John Paul C.G.C. [Clerk Greene County]

David Patterson-

State of North Carolina

Guilford county

} To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Know Ye that at a county court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for the county of Guilford at the court house at the town of Martinsville on the third Monday in November A.D. 1800, and in the XXV year of our Independence- On the [?] John Tombelson and his slave Dav[?] Patterson

Patterson, a black man, praying the court to exonerate the said David Patterson from his present state of slavery for meritorious services which were set forth in the said John Tombelsons Petition, and which petition was signed by a number of respectable inhabitants of said county- It was unanimously agreed by the court that the prayer of the said petition be granted, and that the said David Patterson be exonerated and enjoy the privileges of a free citizen of county

****SEAL**** A true copy-Witness my hand and seal of Office the 18th day of
November 1800

John Hamilton C.C.- [Clerk of Court]

State of North Carolina

Guilford county } To As the presiding Justice of the peace of said county I
do certify the above John Hamilton Esq. [Esquire] as of the above date the clerk of the
court and still remains such, and that the seal affixed is the seal of his office, and due
faith and is and are paid as such-

Given under my hand this 2nd day of January 1801

Ralph Garret

****SEAL****

That the bearer David Patterson a free man hath lived in this county and is esteemed by
all with whom acquainted as an honest industrious obliging man is certified-

Decem. [December] 14, 1805 By D.Caldwell, Guilford
William Armsfield J.P. [Justice of the Peace]
January 2, 1805 [?]
Ralph Garrel
Jas. [James] Mills JP [Justice of the Peace]

Recorded and examined 22nd Spt. [September] 1806

John Paul C.G.C.[Clerk Greene County]

December the tenth 18- -

Bennett Maxey enters the names of three young Negroes (towit)

Isaac-Born November 5th 1789

Thomas-Born March 19, 1791

Edith-Born August 11, 1794

Lot Adjet M Guire by James Towler enters his negro boy, named Lot will be fourteen years of age on the 14th day of April 1808. D

December 26, 1807- John Paul Recorder

David Hampton Richard Thornburgh enters the name of a Negro Boy. (to wit) David Hampton, who is now nineteen years old.

June 20th, 1808- John Paul Recorder

Charles Josiah Elam enters a negro boy named Charles born July 1791—

Betty Josiah Elam enters a negro or mulatto girl named Betty-born November 1792—

Martha Johnson John Duly enters the name and age of a black Girl Martha Johnson, born the 14th day of November 1800. This 25th day of July 1808

Letty a black girl William A. Beatty enters the name and age of a black girl by the name of Letty, who was born the first day of March 1793.—
1st January 1810.

Burwell Kirtland

To all to whom these presents shall come—

Know Ye-that by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia passed in May 1792 entitled “An act to authorize the manumission of Slaves,” those persons who are disposed to emancipate their slaves are empowered to do-And whereas Almighty God hath so ordered human events, that liberty has become a general topic-I Frederick Bonner of Dunwiddie county being possessed of Slaves and from clear conviction of the injustice & criminality of depriving my fellow creatures of their natural right, do hereby emancipate and set free from a state of slavery the following negroes, namely, Sam, Sela, Lucy, who are all well and sound and nearly in the prime of life, Hartwell, Burwell, Liza and Lettice, these four last mentioned being in a state of non age, I desire to have the guardian care of them ‘til they come to the age of twenty one which will happen at the following periods. Hartwell will be of age in January 1800. Burwell will be of age in December 1806. Liza will be of age in July 1808. Lettice will be of age December 1790 declaring the said Negroes entirely free from me my heirs, Excrs. [executors] etc. to all intents and purposes, entitled to all the privileges granted in the before recited act—In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 21 day of January [?] 1788

Signed, Sealed and ack. [acknowledged] in presence of Frederick Bonner **SEAL**

Dunwiddie Sct. [scilicet-towit] February Ct. [court] 1788
 This deed of emancipation from

Frederick Bonner to Sam and others was ackd. [acknowledged] by the said Fredk
 [Frederick] to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded— Teste
 [witness] J. [John] Nicholas C.D.C. [clerk Dunwiddie County]

A copy Teste [witness] J. [John] Nicholas D.C. [clerk Dunwiddie County]
 Recorded on the 24th December 1816.
 Josiah Grover, Clk [clerk] G.C. [Greene County]

Joseph Johnsons Children

State of Ohio Greene County } Clerks office December 24, 1816

In pursuance of the act of assembly in such case made and provided Bennett Maxey of
 the county and state aforesaid enters the names and ages of the following negroes or
 black persons (to wit)

Peter Johnson son of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born November 3rd 1799.

Caroline Johnson, daughter of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born July 31st,
 1801—

Isaac Johnson son of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born March 10, 1803

William Johnson, son of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born September 5, 1806

Eliza Johnson, daughter of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born August 10, 1808.

Anna Johnson, daughter of Joseph Johnson and Belinda his wife, born May 24, 1813

Attest [witness]

Josiah Grover, Clk [Clerk], Com pleas [Common Pleas] G.C. [Greene County]

Ben. [Benjamin] Dickson

Indiana Territory

Jefferson county SS [Scilicet-to wit] I, John Paul clerk of the Circuit court in and for said county do certify that from sundry papers produced in my office by Benjamin Dickson from Peter Wooly his former master-that he the said Benjamin is a free man

Given under my hand and seal of said county this 5th day of October 1814.

Seal John Paul Clk [Clerk] J. [Jefferson County] County state Indiana

Recorded December 24, 1816

Josiah Grover Clk [Clerk] G. [Greene] County Ohio

Billy

Dunwiddie county to wit.

I do hereby certify that Billy now aged twenty eight years five feet six inches high black complexion emancipated by the last will and Testament] of Rebecca Smith decd [deceased] in the county aforesaid by occupation a planter, a scar in his right wrist and right arm above the elbow and on the back of his left hand-is duly registered in my office number three hundred and seventy-four- Given under my hand this 14th day of August 1816-No. 374

Jo [John] Nicholas C.D.C. [Clerk Dunwiddie County]

Robt [Robert] Birchett

Produced and recorded in my office, July 14, 1817

Josiah Grover Clk [clerk]

Susanna a negro girl

State of Ohio Greene County} Clerk's office of the court of Common pleas. August 23,
1809

On the above date Alexander Stow entered on record in the office aforesaid, the age and name of a negro girl; named Susanna, born in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred ninety-five- attest [witness] Josiah Grover clk [clerk]

State of Ohio Greene county} Clerks office of the court of Common pleas October 18,
1817-

Pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, John Duncan this day enters with the clerk of the above court the name and age of a black or negroe boy, as follows, viz. [namely]

Jeffrey-

Jeffry, alias Jeffry Mays, aged six years, seven months and three days, born in the state of Maryland, on the fifteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and eleven.

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover Clk [clerk]

29th November 1805 Thomas Embree entered this day with the Clerk of the Court of Com [Common] pleas the name and age of a Black Boy by the name of Harry Kinley in the following manner towit Henry Kinley was born on the 31st day of January 1801 and was brought to this State on the 29th Nov. 1805

Brunswick County towit I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Godfrey Brown a free man of colour aged fifty two years about five feet ten and a half inches high yellow Complexion has two scars on his left arm near the elbow carries the mark of the small pox on the face and was emancipated by John T. Bowdoin as will appear by reference to the deed of emancipation duly recorded in the county court aforesaid. Given under my hand this 27th day of March 1820. Teste [witness] R Turnbull C.B.C. [Clerk Brunswick County]

Registered No [number] 99

C Cordle J.P- [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court March 27th 1820

The above Certificate was compared by the Court with the Person of Godfrey Brown and found correct.

****County Seal**** I Robert Turnbull clerk of Brunswick County Court do hereby Certify that the foregoing certificate is a true copy transcribed from the records of the said court now remaining in my Office In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of my Office the twenty seventh day of March 1820, in the 44th year of our foundation
R. Turnbull C.B.C. [Clerk Brunswick County]

Brunswick County towit,

I do hereby certify that Robert Turnbull is clerk of the county of Brunswick and that due faith should be given to all his acts and deeds as such Given under my hand and seal this 26th Octr [October] 1820. Edward Dromgoole J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Virginia (towit) I Thomas Edmunds Presiding Justice of the Peace for the county of Brunswick and state of aforesaid do hereby certify that Robert Turnbull Esqr. [Esquire] whose name is affixed to the within certificate ~~bears~~ and was at the time the said certificate bears date clerk of the said county of Brunswick and that the same is in due form. Given under my hand this 19th day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty two in the 46th year of the commonwealth—

Thos [Thomas] Edmunds

Know all men by these Presents that I Godfrey Brown of the county of Brunswick and state of Virginia do hereby emancipate and set free from bondage the several slaves here in after mentioned and the future increase of the females (to wit) one negroe woman named Chancy Brown to be free from the date of this deed Sally Brown aged thirty years on the twenty fifth day of October one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty three Moses Brown aged twenty seven years on the twenty third of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from & after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred & twenty three. Sam Brown aged twenty four years on the twenty fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty three. Bibannah Brown aged twenty two years on the fifteenth (*sic*) of July one thousand eight hundred twenty two to be free from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty three. Dick Brown aged twenty years on the twenty first of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the twenty first day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty three. Godfrey Brown aged eighteen years on the sixteenth of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from &

after the sixteenth of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty five. Myles Brown aged fourteen years on the thirtieth of March one Thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the thirtieth of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine. Elizabeth Brown aged twelve years on the sixteenth of February one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the sixteenth of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty one. Polly Edwards Brown aged ten years on the thirteenth of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the thirteenth day of August one thousand eight hundred and thirty three. Joseph Brown aged six years on the ninth of May one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the ninth of May one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven. Julia Brown aged five years on the fifteenth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty two to be free from and after the fifteenth of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight. Agnes Brown aged one year on the ninth of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty to be free from & after the ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred & forty two; and I do hereby for myself my heirs Exors [Executors] admns [Administrators] etc. release unto the said negroe slaves agreeably to the respective dates above, together with the future increase of the females all my right title claim whatsoever to their Persons and Personal services and to any estate they may acquire hereby declare the sd [said] negroe slaves absolutely free without

any interruption from me or any Person or Persons whatsoever claiming under me at the above dates respectively, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 26th day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty two.

Witness Godfrey x his mark Brown

SEAL

E. Dromgoole, jr.
A.H. Hobbs
Geo. C. Dromgoole

At a court held for the county of Brunswick on Monday the 28th day of January 1822. This deed of emancipation was acknowledged by Godfrey Brown to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded. I Robert Turnbull clerk of the county court aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing deed of emancipation was acknowledged as above and by order of the court is duly recorded. In testimony whereof

COUNTY SEAL I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of my office to be hereto affixed this 14th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and of the Commonwealth the forty sixth-

R Turnbull

Virginea towit, I Thomas Edmunds Presiding Justice of the peace for the county of Brunswick and state aforesaid do hereby certify certify that Robert Turnbull Esq. [Esquire] whose name is affixed to the foregoing certificate is and was at the time the said certificate

bears date clerk of the said county of Brunswick and that the same is in due form Given under my hand this 19th day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and in the 46th year of the commonwealth- Thos. [Thomas] Edmunds

State of Virginia Brunswick county towit I Robert Turnbull clerk of the county court of Brunswick in the state aforesaid do hereby certify that Thomas Edmunds whose certificate is hereto annexed is presiding Justice of the court of the said county of Brunswick in the state of Virginia duly commissioned and qualified to the said office according to the constitution and Laws of the said state Given under my hand and the seal of my Office this twentieth day of March in the year of one thousand eight hundred and twenty two in the forty sixth year of our Foundation-

COUNTY SEAL

R Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

Recorded on the [no date written] day of May 1822.
Attest [witness] Josiah Grover CLK [Clerk]

Brunswick county towit this is to certify that the bearer hereof Fed [Fred?], commonly called Waggoner Fed [Fred?], a black man about forty eight years old five feet five inches high has a scar just below the pit of the stomach occasioned by a stab has no scar or mark on his face head hands or arms perceivable and was emancipated by William Meredith by Deed of emancipation duly recorded in the clerks office of the county court of Brunswick aforesaid, Given under my hand this 21st day of July 1823.

R Turnbull C.C. [County Clerk]

Registered No. 173

Philip Pryer J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court July 28, 1823

The above certificate was compared with the person of the Said Fed [Fred?] and found to be correct.

Brunswick County Seal

Given under my hand and the Seal of my office this the thirteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty three in the forty eighth year of our foundation.

R Turnbull C.C. [County Clerk]

Recorded on the 13th Day of March 1824.

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover CLK [Clerk]

Virginia Brunswick County towit

I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Aggey a free woman of colour of a yellow complexion four feet ten and an half inches high about forty eight years old, has

no scar or mark on her face head hands or arms perceivable was born free in the county of Dinwiddie but has resided in this county for several years last past and is the reputed wife of Fed [Fred?] (otherwise called Waggoner Fed) a free black man emancipated by William Meredith. Given under my hand this the 20th Day of September 1823.

Registered No (200)

R Turnbull Clk- [Clerk]

Brunswick county court September 22d 1823~ the above certificate of the description of Aggey a free woman of colour was compared with her person and found to be correct. James Wyche J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

****Brunswick County Seal**** I Robert Turnbull clerk of the county court of Brunswick aforesaid, do certify that the above is a true transcript from the records of said Court now remaining in my office. In Testimony I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office this 27th Day of September A.D. 1823 in the 48th year of our foundation.

R Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

The following are the names of the Children of Aggey who have not obtained their free papers viz. [namely] Joshua. Edy. Nancy. Cely. Patsey and Eliza.
Recorded on the 13th Day of March 1824.

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover Clk. G.C.P. [Clerk Greene Common Pleas]

Virginia Brunswick County Sct. [scilicet-towit]

I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Polly a free woman of colour five feet and a half inch high about 25 years old, has a small scar on the back of the left hand, was born free in this county, and is a Daughter of Fed [Fred?], otherwise called Waggoner Fed [Fred?] who was emancipated by William Meredith.

Given under my hand this 20th Day of September 1823.

Registered No (199)

R Turnbull Clk [Clerk]

Brunswick county court September 22d 1823, the above Certificate of the description of Polly a free woman of colour was compared with her person and found to be correct. James Wyche J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Seal

I Robert Turnbull clerk of the County Court of Brunswick aforesaid do certify that the above is a true transcript from the records of said Court now remaining in my office. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office this 27th Day of September 1823 in the 48th Year of our foundation—

R. Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

Recorded on the 13th day of March 1824

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover Clk G.C.P. [Greene
Common Pleas]

Virginia Brunswick County Sct. [scilicet-towit]

I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Sally a free woman of colour four feet eleven inches high about 23 years old has no scar on her face head hands or arms perceivable was born free in this county and is a Daughter of Fed [Fred?] otherwise called Waggoner Fed [Fred?] who was emancipated by William Meredith- Given under my hand this the 20th Day of September 1823.

Registered No (100) [101?]

Brunswick county court September 22nd 1823 the above certificate of the description

of Sally a free Woman of Colour was compared with her person and found to be correct.
James Wyche J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

****Brunswick County Seal****

I Robert Turnbull clerk of the county Court of
Brunswick aforesaid, Do certify that the above is a
true transcript from the records of said court now
remaining in my office- In Testimony Whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of
office this 27th Day of September A.D. 1823 in the
48th Year of our foundation—
R Turnbull c c [Clerk of Court]

Recorded on the 13th Day of March 1824

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover Clk G.C. P. [Greene Common Pleas]

Joshua Rivers Joshua Rivers a free man of colour, has this day entered his
name and age with me as clerk of Greene County Ohio; who was born February 16th
1803; this 30th day of June 1824.

Frederick Rivers this day enters the names of nine free negroes (towit.) Jesse Rivers born
1st July 1807. Nancy Rivers Rivers was born January 2nd 1809. Edy Rivers born May
8th 1810, Sely Rivers born July 11th 1813, Patsey Rivers born March 14th 1815. Eliza
Rivers born 8th November 1816. Michael Rivers born September

29th 1811; Eliza Rivers born---Frank Rivers born-----

The State of Ohio Greene County ss [scilicet-to wit] Clerks office June 30th 1824

In pursuance of the act of the assembly in such case made and provided Frederick Rivers entered the names and ages of the above, black persons.

Attest [witness] Josiah Grover Clk [Clerk]

Xenia Greene County Ohio 16 Feby 1819; the undersigned John Steele states that he give directions to a negro man named James aged about 28; on whom he held a bill of sale from [blank space] Boulden in which bill of sale the said James was sold to the said Steele as a slave according to the laws of Kentucky-the said Steele never sold the said Negro James to any other person but was the legal owner of him according to the laws of the state of Kentucky at the time he directed him to go to the state of Ohio, and until he arrived in this state, the said Steele therefore wishing the said Negro James to be fully and completely liberated from slavery did direct him to go to the state of Ohio to the rev. [Reverend], Wm [William] Baldrige in Adams County and did request the said Baldrige if possible to have his freedom entered in some public record of the state that recourse might be had thereto if at any time hereafter a doubt of his emancipation from slavery should arise and as the undersigned now

understood that the said negro James has come to, and is now at or about the House of the said Rev. [Reverend] Wm [William] Baldrige it is his desire and will that the said negro James be free and a public record thereof made,
signed John Steele

The above mentioned negro James is of a pretty black complexion, about 5 feet 8 or ten inches high, heavy brows, and has on one if not on both sides of his neck pretty observable scars or marks as if they had originated from sores or burns,
Jno [John] Steele

State of Ohio Greene County

Personally came before me Joseph Hamill a Justice of the peace in and for said county the above named John Steele who being sworn as the law directs deposed and saith that the foregoing statement concerning his negro James is true and that he wishes the said Negro to be recorded free, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 16th day of February 1819;

Joseph Hamill **SEAL**
Justice of the Peace

The State of Ohio Greene County ss [scilicet-towit] ~ I Lewis Wright Deputy Clerk of the court of Common Pleas for the county aforesaid do certify that Joseph Hamill Esquire before whom the foregoing deposition of John Steele appears to have been taken is an acting Justice of the peace duly commissioned and qualified and to his official acts as such full faith and credit are due as well in courts of record as elsewhere.

SEAL In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the court of Common Pleas of the county aforesaid at Xenia this sixteenth day of February A.D. 1819; Lewis Wright Deputy clerk for Josiah Grover, Clk [Clerk] C.C.P.G. [Court Common Pleas Greene]

Recorded on the 23d day of August 1824

Attest [witness] J. Grover Clk. [Clerk]

Know all men by these presents that I Benjamin D. Price of the County of Knox in the Indiana Territory have emancipated, liberated and set free a certain Henry Salter who indented himself to me on the twenty eighth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four, which Indenture is Recorded in the Records of the afsd [aforesaid] County. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal at my house in the County and Territory afsd [aforesaid] this 3d day of May one thousand eight hundred and Eleven.

Witnesses
 Samuel Johnson
 William Gallagher

B.D. Price **SEAL**

Knox County County Sct. [scilicet-towit], Personally came and appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Benjamin D. Price who acknowledged the foregoing Instrument of writing to be his voluntary act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th Aug. 1811. Geo. [George] Wallace jr **SEAL**

J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Indiana Territory Sct. [scilicet-towit], I John Gibson Secretary and acting Governor of the said territory Do hereby certify that George Wallace Jr.[Junior]- Esq- [Esquire] before whom the within acknowledgment was made and who has signed the within certificate was at the term thereof and still is a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Knox in the said Indiana Territory

and that due faith and credit, is and ought to be given to all by Official acts as such Justice of the Peace. In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the territory to be affixed at Vincennes this 21st day of Oct. 1812 and of the Independence the XXXVII Jn [John] Gibson

****SEAL****

Recd [received] and Recorded the foregoing July 23d, 1827.

J. Grover. R.G.C. [Recorder Greene County]

Brunswick County towit

This is to certify that the bearer hereof Berry Roberts a free man about 23 years of age five feet six inches high has no scar or mark perceivable was free born as appears from the evidence of Richard Flecher. Given under my hand this 23d June 1823. Registered No. 159.

Gray F. Dunn J.P. [Justice of the Peace] Brunswick County Court June 23d 1823.
The above certificate compared with the person of the person of the said Berry and found to be correct.

Given under my hand and seal
****SEAL**** of Office this 25th day of June 1823.
R Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

Recorded Oct. 1st 1827

J. Grover, clk [clerk]

Virginia, towit, By virtue of the act of the General assembly entitled “an act giving effect to the last will and testament of Samuel Gist, deceased late of the City of London, passed the twenty sixth day of February One thousand Eight hundred and Sixteen. Solomon Gist, one of the slaves belonging to the estate of the said Samuel Gist decd [deceased] aged about sixteen years was by a decree of the Supreme Court of Chancery for the Richmond District, pronounced the third day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, declared to be emancipated and free to all intents and purposes.

Recorded Nov 3d 1827

Wm [William] W. Hening C.S.C.C.R.D. [Clerk Supreme Court Chancery
Richmond District]

Dinwiddie County Sct. [scilicet-towit], I do hereby certify that Tom (sometimes called Tom Graves) aged about 35 years, dark complexion five feet five and one fourth inches high, emancipated by the last will and testament of Richard Graves decd. [deceased] in Dinwiddie County by occupation a planter a scar on the left side of his neck and a scar on his right leg near the ancle (*sic*), is duly registered in my Office as a free person of colour, number six hundred and ninety four, No. 694. In testimony whereof I have caused to be affixed the official seal of the County afsd. [aforesaid] and subscribed my name as clerk in my office this 5th day of January 1836 [1826?]. and in the 50th year of this commonwealth.

SEAL

James Scott J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

J.P. Crump C.D.C. [Clerk Dinwiddie County]

Recorded March [?]

Brunswick County, towit, I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Patsey-alias Patsey Grain a free woman of colour of black complexion about 27 years old 5 feet 4 inches high has no scar perceivable on her head, face, hands or arms and was free born in this County Sept 1825. Registered No. 225.

R Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

Nathl [Nathaniel] E. Mabry J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Sept 26th 1825

The above certificate was compared with the person of the said Patsey and found to be correct. I Robert Turnbull Clerk of the County Court afsd. [aforesaid] do hereby certify that the foregoing certificate is a true copy of the Record remaining in my office.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of my office to be hereto affixed this 27th day of Sept. 1825.

R. Turnbull C.C. [Clerk of Court]

Recorded March 1st 1828

Brunswick County towit, I do certify that the bearer hereof Lizzy Roberts a free woman of colour. Yellow complexion, about twenty three years old-five feet three inches high has no apparent mark or scar on her head, face, hands or arms, was born free in this County. Given under my hand this 26 day of September 1825.

R. Turnbull Clk [Clerk]

Registered no. 226

Nathl [Nathaniel] E. Mabry J.P. [Justice of the Peace]
Brunswick County, Sept. 26th 1825 The above certificate

was compared with the person of the above Lizzy and found to be correct, I Robert Turnbull clerk of the County Court afs. [aforesaid] do hereby certify that the foregoing certificate is a true copy of the records now remaining in my office. In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of my office this be hereto affixed this 27th day of Sept 1825.

R Turnbull

SEAL

Recorded March 17th 1828 Wm. [William] Brown a child of the within Lizzy Richd [Richard] Brown enters the names of William Brown his child. born in Virginia August 16th 1822, and Jonathan Brown born in Virginia 20th January 1822, which children were born free. March 17th 1828

No. 166 [144?], Virginia Greensville County Court Clerks Office the 4th day of April 1825 Temperance Brown (wife of James Brown[,]) free born of yellowish complexion 36 years old five feet five inches high, in shoes. no marks or scars perceivable and his [her?] five children viz. [namely] Berry, Dixon and William Green, boys and Arrian Delina and Frances Ann daughters.

SEAL Registered in my office the above day and date. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the County seal E Mason, CGlc [Clerk Greensville County]
Examined and approved W.A. Wardlow J.P.- [Justice of the Peace]

State of Virginia Greensville County Court Clerks Office the 1st day of April 1825.
No. 137 James Brown a free man, born free

of a yellow complexion about 38 years old five feet 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches high (in shoes) and has a scar on his left fore finger, by occupation a hatter and planter [Could this be planker? A planker is one who works or kneads the body of a hat during felting.] Registered in my office the above day and date according to law.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the County seal.

Test. [witness] E Mason CGlc [Clerk Greenville County]

The above register was this day examined by me a Justice of the peace for said County and found to be correct. Given under my hand this 1st day of April 1825.

Nat [Nathaniel] Land J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Recorded April 9th [?] 1828

Brunswick County towit. The bearer hereof Betsey Roberts a free woman of colour, of a yellow complexion about 5 feet 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches high about 50 years of age has a scar on the left hand and wrist, which was occasioned by a cut, was born free in this County, is duly registered in this County. Given under my hand this 23d day of Octr. 1826. Registered No. 245 teste [witness] R. Turnbull CBC [Clerk Brunswick County]
J. Rice J.P.-[Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court, Now 27th 1826 The above certificate was compared with the person of the above, and found to be correct. I Robert Turnbull Clerk of the County Court of Brunswick do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Record now remaining in my office. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 28th day of Nov. 1826 in the 51st year of our Independence foundation.

****SEAL****

Recorded July 17, 1828

R Turnbull Clk [Clerk]

Brunswick County towit,

I certify that the bearer hereof Abram Roberts a free man of dark complexion, about forty nine years of age five feet nine and ½ inches high a scar on the right cheek, and another on the inside of the left hand also a large scar on the forehead, rather over the left eye and no other scar or mark perceivable, was emancipated by Owen Myrick decd [deceased] as appears from a former certificate produced by the said Abram Roberts.

Given under my hand this 22d day of September 1823.

R Turnbull C.C. [County Clerk]

Registered No. 243

John Tucker J.P. [Justice of the Peace] Brunswick County Court Sept. 26th 1826 The above certificate was compared with the person of the above Abram and found to be correct. I Robert Turnbull clerk of our said court do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the record now remaining in my office. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of my office to be hereto affixed this 28th day of Sept 1826 In the 51st year of our foundation.

SEAL

R Turnbull Clk BC [Clerk Brunswick County]

Recorded January 13th 1829

J Grover clk [clerk]

This is to certify that I have no objection to James Branum going to the state of Ohio with his wife and remaining there. Given under my hand this 13th of May 1830.

Test [witness] Jno [John] C. Payne

Rachel Phelps

John Cullen

Recorded Sep. 24 1831.

J.L. Grover Clk [Clerk]

Virginia Towit

By virtue of an act of the General Assembly entitled, "an act giving effect to the last will and testament of Sam'l [Samuel] Gist, deceased, late of the city of London passed the 26th day of February 1816 Abraham one of the slaves belonging to the estate of the said Samuel Gist decd [deceased] aged about nineteen years, was, by a decree of the Superior court of chancery for the Richmond District, pronounced this 3d day of July 1818 declared to be emancipated and free to all in trusts and purposes.

Wm. [William] H. [W?] Herring CSCC RD
[Clerk Superior Court Chancery Richmond
District]

Recorded Aug 26, 1833

Attest [witness] J.L. Grover Clk [Clerk]

At a court held at the Court house for the county of Botetourt on Monday the 13th day of June 1820. It having been proved to the satisfaction of the court that Charles Bannister son of Esther Bannister is a free man of colour Born free he is ordered to be registered. Said Charles is a dark yellow 5 feet 8 inches high a scar on the right cheek, no other marks perceivable.

In testimony whereof I Henry James Smith of a yellow complexion about five feet and a half high, about twenty six years of of (*sic*) ages, free born in Ohio 15th January 1812. A scar on the right side of his chin, marked with the small pox enters his name as a free person of Color in pursuance of the act of the general assembly of the State of Ohio in such case made and provided.

Clerks office Nov 11th 1838

T. Marshall, clk [clerk]

State of Indiana Clark County Sct. [scilicet-towit], On the motion of John Peters it is ordered that his Negro man named Thomas Peters aged about twenty seven years be emancipated and the Said John Peters came in the court and entered into bond conditioned that the said Thomas Peters shall not become a charge to the County aforesaid.

****SEAL**** In Testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of our circuit court at said county this 16th day of September 1816.

J Shelby Clerk {Recorded Sep 21st 1825}
State of Indiana Marion County Sct. [scilicet-towit]

I Lewis C. Lewis recorder of the County of Marion aforesaid do hereby certify the above and foregoing is a true copy of the records recorded in my office of the emancipation of Thomas Peters. Witness my hand and seat this nineteenth day of July AD 1836.

Lewis C. Lewis recorder

State of Indiana Marion County SS [towit]

I Robert B. Duncan clerk of the circuit court at the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Lewis C. Lewis whose certificate is above written is the recorder of said county of Marion duly elected commissioned and qualified and that his said certificate is in due form.

In witness whereof I Robert B. Duncan clerk as above hereunto set my hand and seal of said Court at Indianapolis this July 19th 1836.

Robert B. Duncan

Recorded Oct 27th 1836

JL Grover CClk [County Clerk]

Brunswick County, towit,

I do certify that the bearer hereof Wyatt Stewart a free man of color dark complexion five feet nine and a half inches high a bout twenty three years of age has a scar on his right eye brow occasioned by a cut was born free as appears from the evidence of Augustin Claiborne and is duly registered in my office. Given under my hand this 23rd day of August 1830.

R. Turnbull clk [clerk]

Register No. (306)

John Wyche J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court August 23 1830 The above certificate was compared with the person of the said Wyatt Stewart and found to be correct. I Robert Turnbull clerk of the County Court of Brunswick in the State of Virginia do certify that the foregoing is a true transcript of the record now remaining in my office.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court this 23d day of August A.D. 1830 In the 55th year of our foundation.

Recorded Oct 20th 1837
T. Marshall clk [clerk]

R. Turnbull clk [clerk]

Virginia

At a court held for Albemarle County the 7th day of November 1831 James Battles a man of color personally appearing in open Court and producing satisfactory evidence of his Freedom it is ordered that the following be entered of record as his register viz [namely] aged 44 years 5 feet 8 inches high light complexion a scar between his eyes, one upon the left hand no other scars or marks visable all of which is ordered to be certified. In testimony whereof I Ira Garrett clerk of the County court aforesaid have here to set my name and affixed the seal of the said county court this 8th day of November 1831 & in the 56th year of the commonwealth.

****SEAL**** Recorded January 28th 1839 T. Marshall Ira Garrett C.C. [county clerk]

Campbell June Court 1834

Ordered that the following children of Betsey Battles be registered in the clerks office of this county according to law.

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|----|------|
| Polly Battles | born February | -- | 1813 |
| Elizabeth Battles | born Decr | -- | 1816 |
| Battles | born 17 Janry | -- | 1818 |
| Wilson Battles | born 1 Janry | -- | 1820 |
| Samuel Battles | born 28 April | -- | 1822 |
| Sally Battles | born Septr | -- | 1825 |
| Daisy Battles | born 8 May | -- | 1827 |
| John Battles | born 22 May | -- | 1831 |
| James Battles | born 24 November | -- | 1833 |

A copy Test [witness]

John Alexander C.C.C. [Campbell County Clerk]

The above children are entered as free persons by James Battles Jan 28th their father.

Attest [witness]

T. Marshall clk [clerk]

William C. Roberts a light mulattoe aged twenty one years, five feet eight and one half inches high, has a scar high up on the left groin occasioned by a cut has no other scar on his head face or arms perceivable enters his name as a free person of colour

September 26th 1839

Attest [witness]

T Marshall clerk

Brunswick County towit,

I do certify that the bearer hereof Thomas Stewart a free man of Colour a dark complexion twenty seven years old six feet high has a scar on the little finger of the left hand and also a scar on the back part of the head was born free as appears from the evidence of R.H.H. Walton and is duly registered in my office this 23d day of May 1836.

Registered No. 399

R Turnbull CBC [Clerk Brunswick County]

Wm. [William] Meredith J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court May 23d 1836 the above certificate was compared with the said Thomas Stewart and found to be correct. I Robert Turnbull clerk of the County Court of Brunswick in the State of Virginia do certify that the above is a true transcript from the records now in my office.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I ~~heret~~ hereto set my hand and annexed the Seal of Said County Court this 2nd day of May 1836 In the 60th year of our foundation.

R. Turnbull CC [County Clerk]

Recorded Novr 8th 1839

T Marshall clerk

The State of Ohio Ross County
 City of Chillicothe Mayors Office } S.S. [towit]

Before me William H. Skerrett the Mayor of the city aforesaid personally appeared Alexander Bourne of the City, county and State aforesaid, who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that the bearer Zachariah Griffin a light mulatto boy, now about nineteen years of age, was born in a cabin near my house in the (town) now city of Chillicothe in the Spring of 1819-and not long afterwards his mother, then Jane Washington, now Jane White a free mulatto woman was employed in my kitchen bringing the Said Zachariah with her being then an infant at the breast and remained several months in my employment, his reputed father Hezekiah Griffin a mulatto was also free. I have known the parents of said Zachariah Griffin (the bearer hereof) about twenty years and know that they were free since I have known them- I have also seen the sd [said] Zachariah at various times since he was born and know that the bearer hereof is the individual therein represented as deponent verily (*sic*) believes, and further saith not.

A. Bourne

SEAL

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 15th of October AD. 1838
 as witness my hand and the Seal of the city of Chillicothe

Wm. H. Skerrett Mayor

Recorded Nov 8th 1839

Attest [witness] T. Marshall clerk

Virginia

Number one hundred and eighty four.

In pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Virginia, passed on the 2nd day of March 1829 entitled "An act reducing into one, the Several Acts concerning Slaves, Free Negroes and Mulatoes". I Alexander J. Marshall clerk of the County Court of Farquire [Fauquier], do hereby certify that Thomas Proctor a tall light mulato man forehead extending pretty far to the crown of the head with grey eyes and grey hair nearly short with a small scar or cut on the breast, nearly reaching to the top of the breast bone, also on the left arm between the elbow and wrist on the flat part of the arm, are marked T.P. also two small cuts, about an inch apart on the thumb of the arm between the wrist, and the first joint of the thumb, also a small cut on the top of the right ear aged about ---- years. Five feet ten inches and a half high, who was free born. Is registered in my office agreeably to the directions of the above mentioned.

Attest [witness] Rich Thompson
A Justice of the peace of the County of Fauquier

SEAL Certified under my hand and the Seal of the Said Court this 27th day of
October 1835 and the 60th year of our commonwealth.
A.J. Marshall clerk of Fauquier County court

Brunswick County Court

I do certify that the bearer hereof Jackson Stewart, a Mulatto, twenty two years old, six feet high, has a scar on the forehead between the eyes, and was born free as appears from the evidence of R.H.H. Wallton—and is duly registered in my office this 23d day of May 1836.

Registered No 389

R. Turnbull C.B.C. [Clerk Brunswick County]

Jno [John] Manning J.P. [Justice of the Peace]

Brunswick County Court May 23, 1836

The above certificate was compared with the person of the above Jackson Stewart and found correct I Robert Turnbull Clerk of the County Court of Brunswick in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that the above is a true transcript from the records in my office.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and annex the seal of said County Court this the 2nd day of May 1836. In the 60th year of our foundation.

R. Turnbull clerk

Recorded Decr 4th 1839

Attest [witness] T. Marshall clerk

The State of Virginia Berkley County towit

Richard Dawson, a free man of Colour who was born free, registered in my office the 12th day of May 1835 agreeably to the directions of an act entitled “An act reducing into one the several acts concerning Slaves, free negroes and Mulatoes” passed March 2nd 1819 and is numbered on the said register 55. The Said Richard Dawson is about twenty two years of age six feet – inches high has a scar on the right arm above the wrist black complexion.

****SEAL**** In testimony whereof I the undersigned, the clerk of the said county court of Berkley in Virginia under the direction of the act aforesaid have hereunto affixed my hand and annexed the Seal of the Said County Court at my office in Martinsburg this 12th day of May in the year our Lord 1835 and 59th of the commonwealth

Attest [witness] Harrison Waite C.B.C. [Clerk Berkley County]

Conrad Weymur a Justice of the peace for Berkly County,

Recorded Decer 7th 1829

Attest [witness] T. Marshall clerk

Wesley Jones a light brown mulattoe aged was born the first day of June eighteen hundred and eighteen about five feet five and one half inches high, has a scar an inch long occasioned by a cut high up on the left side of his head this day enters his name and age with Me as ~~clerk~~ a free man of color born free in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Given under my hand this 17th day of December A.D. 1839

T. Marshall clk [clerk]

Stephen Jones, a coloured man of a Brown skin five feet four inches high aged twenty one years the eighth day of May last, dished face, forehead and chin prominent, this day enters his name as a free person of colour (born free) in pursuance of the an act ~~aet~~ of the General assembly of the State of Ohio—

Given under my hand this 19th day of February 1840.

T. Marshall clk [clerk]

William Morris enters the name of Benjamin Cooper a coloured man as a free man he is 21 years of age ~~last~~ 12th September last, about five feet high, heavy built, black Skin

Given under my hand this 27th day of July 1840

T. Marshall clk [clerk]

Virginia

At a court held of monthly sessions held for Bedford County the 24th day of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight (1838) Maurice Price a dark mulatto, twenty one years old in April last past, five feet, nine and one fourth inches high a scar on his right jaw and no other scar perceivable on his hands face or head, free born.

Ordered that it be certified by the court that the above register of Maurice Price a free man of colour is truly made.

****SEAL**** A copy teste [witness]
 R.C. Mitchell C.B.C. [Clerk Bedford County]
 By Jon R. Stiploe

Recorded Oct 31st 1840

T. Marshall clerk

Dunwiddie County Sct. [scilicet-towit]

I John R. Crump Clerk of Dunwiddie County do hereby certify that Hartwell Sometimes called Harwell Wilson aged about twenty three years about five feet nine inches high black complexion a large scar on his left cheek bone by occupation a farmer born free, ~~large scar on his left~~ in Dunwiddie County duly registered in my office as a free person of Colour number eight hundred and ninety two no. 892—

****SEAL**** In testimony Whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of the Said county at my office the 12th day of May 1831 in the 55th year of the commonwealth

J.P. Crump C.D.C. [Clerk Dunwiddie County]

Recorded July 16th 1841

L.P. Lanier J.P. [Justice of the Peace]
 T Marshall Clerk

It was proven this day before me by the affidavits of Adam Bedinger and George Gilcrist that Cash Leech a Mullato man aged thirty five years five feet nine inches high with a large scar on the front part of the left leg about four inches below the knee is a free man.

Given under my hand this 8th day of October 1843

T. Marshall Clerk
Com Pleas [Common Pleas]

It was proven before me this day by the affidavits of Richard Conwell and John S. Perkins on file that ~~James~~ William Thomas a light mulatto aged about 25 years six feet high is a free man

Given under my hand this 28th day of August 1844

T. Marshall Clk [Clerk] Pro Tem [Pro Tempore-“for the time being”]