

164) I Benjamin Jordan of Southampton County an state of Virginia from
Jordan mature deliberate consideration and the conviction of my own mind being fully
to persuaded that freedom is the natural right of all mankind and being desirous
dies to fulfill the injunction of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by doing to
others as I would be done by, do therefore declare that having sold in my care
a negro man named Piles aged twenty two years, I do for myself my heirs
Exors & assigns hereby release unto him the said Piles all my rights interests
and claim or pretensions of claim whatsoever, as to his person or any estate he may
acquire, without any interruption from me or any person claiming for by from
or under me, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
20th day of the 4th month 1806

Signed, sealed & deliv^d

In presence of

Jacob Jordan

Benjamin Jordan (Seal)

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 15th of April 1806
This act of Emancipation was acknowledged by Benjamin Jordan the party
and ordered to be recorded —

Sam. Miller &

Whereas James Harrison the slave by his last will & testament, devised ten tracts
to pieces or parcels of land to survivors of his children and grand children, in the said will
Daughter named subject to the use of his widow (Sarah) for life and whereas the said
Sarah the widow, hath lately departed this life, by reason whereof, it became
necessary for a division to take place among those entitled under the said will
and it being impracticable to divide the said land amongst those entitled, without
a sale, the Court of Southampton decreed that the same should be sold by the said
Sarah Munday, James Harrison, and Henry Cobb, Commissioners by the said
Court for that purpose appointed, or by any three of them, and whereas the said
John Lee, Sarah Munday, & Henry Cobb, three of the said Commissioners
did on the 8th day of November in the year of our Lord 1805, in conformity to the
said decree before the said Court, to public sale, having first given ten days
previous notice of the time & place of sale, and whereas Theophilus Daughtery
became the purchaser of both the said tracts of land, the one called in the
said will, the house plantation, & the other the South wing or River
place, & now this adventure made the 4th day of December in the year
of our Lord 1805, between John Lee, Sarah Munday, & Henry Cobb
acting Commissioners under a decree of the Court of Southampton County,
the one part, and Theophilus Daughtery of the other part, in the County
the other part, do therefore certify that the said John Lee, Sarah Munday,

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