

Jordan Denson of Southampton County

I Jordan Denson of the County of Southampton Virginia having under my care Three negroes (w^{ch}) I emancipate
 Simon of about Twenty three, Rachel a woman of about Twenty and twenty
 of his slave woman of about Eighteen years of age, whom I have heretofore held as
 slaves, but being fully persuaded that freedom is the natural right
 of all mankind and that it is my duty to do by Others as I would desire to
 be done by in the like situation. Therefore I do hereby emancipate &
 set free all and every of the above said negroes. I do for my self my
 heirs & executors & administrators relinquish all my right title interest
 and claim or pretention of claim whatsoever either to their persons or
 my Estate They may hereafter acquire; and having too also now in
 their minority vizt Treacy a girl born the 23^d day of the second month
 1778 Sam born the twenty fifth day of the sixth month 1780 which
 I likewise do hereby emancipate and set free (giving to myself my
 heirs and assigns) the care and Direction of the said Treacy untill
 she shall attain to the age of eighteen & of the said Sam untill he
 arrives to the age of twenty one years; and I do for myself my heirs
 Executors and administrators relinquish all my right title interest &
 claim or pretention of claim either to their persons or to any estate they
 may acquire after they shall attain to the ages aforesaid, all the
 above said negroes to enjoy their full freedom without any interruption
 from me or any person. Claiming or to claim by Law or under me
 in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
 27th day of the eighth month in the year of our Lord one thousand
 and seven hundred eighty two

Sealed & Delivered In presence of
 Thomas Draper
 Lemuel Jones...

Jordan Denson

At a Court held for the County of Southampton
 The 14th day of November 1782

This deed was acknowledged by Jordan
 Denson freely Thereof and ordered to be Recorded
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