

Samuel
Jones,
Manr.

I Samuel Jones of Southampton County Virginia having
under my care five negroes (said) Tom aged forty eight, Fanny
Thirty nine, Nann sixty, Sampson twenty two, & Miller twenty two
years whom I have heretofore held as slaves, but being fully persua-
ded That freedom is the natural right of all mankind, & that it
is my duty to do unto others as I would be done by, do Therefore hereby
Emancipate and set the said Negroes free, and I do for my
self my heirs Executors and administrators, relinquish
all my Right Title Interest & Claim or pretension of claim
Whatsoever either to their persons or to any estate they may
Hereafter acquire, and having also four who are now in
Their minority Vgt Emanuel born about the eighth month
1762. Gressy a girl born the twelfth month 1764; James
a boy born the sixth Day of the eleventh month 1776. and
Sampson a boy born in the eighth Month 1780, whom I
do likewise emancipate & set free, yet I think it right for
me to have the care & Direction of the males untill they
shall attain to the age of Twenty one years; and of the fe-
male, untill she shall attain to the age of eighteen years
and I do for myself my heirs executors & admors
relinquish all my right Title Interest & Claim or preten-
sion of claim whatsoever either to their persons or to any
estate They may acquire after they shall arrive to the
full and Lawfull ages aforesaid; all the abovesaid negroes
and their posterity to enjoy their full freedom without any
Interruption from me or any person claiming for by or
under me In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set