

I do for myself my heirs Executors and Admors relinquish
 all my right Title Interest & Claim or pretensions of Claim
 whatsoever either to his person or to my Estate he may acquire
 after he shall attain to the age above said, which will be at
 The Following time (vizt) on the first Day of the first month
 In the Year 1785 — Then to enjoy his full freedom without
 any Interdisposition from me or any persons claiming forty,
 from or under me In Witness Whereof I've hereunto
 set my hand and seal This Thirtieth Day of the Eighth
 Month in The year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred &
 eighty Two —

Scaled & returned
 In the presence of

William Hamlin &
 Richard Mason &

Sampson Stanton 

At a Court Held for the County of Southampton the 17th
 Day of November 1782

This Emancipation was acknowledged
 by Sampson Stanton party Thereto Ordered to be Recorded
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William
 Butler
 Emanc.

I William Butler of Southampton County
 Virginia being fully persuaded that freedom is the nat-
 ural right of all mankind and that it is my duty to do what
 so I would desire to be done in the like situation and having
 under my care four Negroes whom I have heretofore held
 as slaves of the following names and ages vizt Phillis aged
 about Thirty one years Ned aged about 27 years Jimmy aged
 about twenty seven years, — Timmy aged about twenty three
 years, I hereby emancipate and free the above named slaves
 and I do for myself my heirs Executors & Admors relinquish