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890

Slaves Recd 20 Oct 1823

Alexander Skinner
case
1 Slave – Jacob - \$450
Affidavits of
Alexander Skinner
William Landsbury &
Henry Landsbury
D.A. Hall agent
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v

30th July 1828 allowed
To the duly authorised [sic]
Representatives of Levin
Skinner for one slave
taken from Maryland
@ \$280 – Interest reserved

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Know all men by these presents, That I Alexander Skinner of Calvert County and State of Maryland, Executor of Levin Skinner late of Prince Georges County deceased, have made, instituted and appointed and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint Henry Ashton of the City of Washington and District of Columbia my true and lawful attorney for and in my name and behalf to demand, prosecute and recover, before any board, commissiones [sic] or Commissioners, or other officer or officers, that may be appointed to liquidate and adjust the claims provided for by the first article of the treaty of Ghent, by virtue of the decision given by the Emperor of the Russias, on the Construction of said article, his claim for a certain Slave, carried away by the British Forces; and in order to obtain said claim to execute such release, quit claim, receipt or other instrument of writing for and in his name, as may be required therefor [sic], and to do all such further acts in the premises as he could do, were he personally present hereby confirming all such Acts and doings of his said attorney. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my seal, this fourth day of June in the year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty three.

Alex'r Skinner 

Witness

Mr. H.L. Boswell

State of Maryland, Prince Georges County, Sc:

Be it remembered that on this 4th day of June in the year 1823, before me the subscriber, A Justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid, personally appeared Alex'r Skinner, the person in the above Power of Attorney named and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed for the purposes above mentioned, according to the true intent and meaning thereof. Acknowledg'd before Jn S. Abell

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State of Maryland Prince Georges County Sct
I hereby certify that John S.
Abell Esquire (gentleman) before whom the
aforegoing acknowledgment was made and whose
name is thereto signed was at the time of taking
and signing the Same and Still is a Justice
of the peace of the State aforesaid in and for
said County duly commissioned and Sworn, and
to all whose acts as Such full faith and credit
are and ought to be given –
In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto Subscribed my name and
affixed the Seal of Prince
Georges County Court this fourth
day of June in the year Eighteen
Hundred and twenty three
Aquila Beall Clk
of Pr. G Co'ty Co't

Maryland, Prince George's County Sct.
I, Trueman Tyler Register of Wills for
Prince George's County in the State of Maryland,
do hereby certify that Letters Testamentary on the
personal estate of Levin Skinner late of said
County, deceased, were on the thirtieth day of March
Eighteen hundred and eighteen, granted by the
Orphans Court of said County to Alexander Skinner
of Calvert County the Executor appointed by the
deceased's last Will and Testament, he having
first entered into Bond with Sufficient sureties for
the faithful performance of his duty as Executor
aforesaid –
In testimony whereof I hereto set
my hand and affix the public
Seal of my office this seventh
day of June in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and
twenty three –
Trueman Tyler Reg'r of Wills
for P.G. Cty

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Record Group 76, National Archives, College Park. MSA SC 5496-050801**

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[A List] of Property belonging to the Estate of Levin Skinner late of Prince George's County and State of Maryland, deceased, which was carried away from the Town of Nottingham Patuxent River by his Britannic Majesty's Forces under the command of General Ross and Admiral Cockburn during their invasion of the State of Maryland in the month of August 1814.

No. of Slaves	Name of Slave	Age of Slave when carried away	When carried away	Value at the time When carried away
1	Jacob	Twenty-three years	August 1814	Four Hundred and First Dollars

Errors Excepted

Alex'r Skinner, Ex'r
of Levin Skinner, deceased
State of Maryland, Prince Georges County Sc:
On this third day of June 1823, appeared, Alexander Sk
[inner], Ex'r of Levin Skinner late of said County, deceased, before
me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for County aforesaid
who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God,
deposes and says that he has always understood and believed
that the above named negro Jacob, the property of the late
Levin Skinner was carried away by the British forces at
the time stated in the above list, which said negro Jacob has
never returned and further that the above List is in every
part correct and farther saith not
Sworn before
Jn S. Abell

State of Maryland, Prince Georges County Sct:
On this third day of June 1823 before me the subscriber
a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, appeared
William Lansbury who having sworn on the Holy Evange
ly of Almighty God deposes and says that he was in the
town of Nottingham on Patuxent River, at or about the
time the British forces were evacuating the place, and
that while there he saw negro Jacob, the property of Levin

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Skinner, since deceased, and negro Jim, the property of Benjamin Mackall now deceased in the possession of the British forces – that he saw said negroes placed in a boat and carried off by said forces, and that he has never since heard of their return

Sworn before
Jn S. Abell

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State of Maryland, Prince Georges County Sc:
On this third day of June 1823 before me the subscri
ber A Justice of the peace for the county aforesaid
appeared William Lansbury and Henry Lansbury
who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangely of Almighty
God depose and say that they well knew Negro Jacob
the property of Levin Skinner since deceased and men-
tioned in the within list and to the best of their know
ledge and belief said negro was worth at the time
he was carried away by the British Forces Four
Hundred and Fifty Dollars if not more and further
they say not. Sworn before
Jn. S. Abell

State of Maryland Prince Georges County Sct:
I hereby certify that John S.
Abell Esquire (gentleman) before whom the aforego
Ing affidavits were made and whose name is thereto
signed was at the time thereof and Still is a
Justice of the peace of the said State in and for
Said County duly commissioned and Sworn and to all
whose acts as such full faith and credit are and
ought be to given –
In Testimony whereof I have her
unto subscribed my name and affixed
the seal of Prince Georges County
Court this Seventh day of June
in the year Eighteen Hundred
and twenty three.
Aquila Beall Clerk
Of Prince Georges Co'ty Co't