

Warrant Habeas
Corpus
for the
Body
of Negro
Betty

26th May 1813 on a hearing of the Parties
in this case & their Counsel I am of opinion that
Negro Betty not having been registered according
to the provisions of the Act of the 10th March
1780 cannot be held as a slave & must therefore
be discharged

Walter Frankland

\$1.00 due

Lancaster County, ss. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to *John Scott* — GREETING.

YOU are hereby commanded, that the Body of *Negroes Betsy* — under your custody detained, as it is said, together with the day and cause of *her* being taken and detained, by whatsoever name the said *Betsy* — shall be charged in the same, you have, under safe and secure conduct, before the honorable *Walter Franklin Esq. President of the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County,* at his Chamber *forthwith* in the borough of Lancaster, at *half past 2* o'clock, in the *after* ^{*of this day*} noon; to do and receive all those things which the said Judge shall then and there consider of in this particular.

WITNESS the honorable *Walter Franklin*, Esquire, President of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, at Lancaster, the *Twenty Sixth* day of *May* — in the year of our LORD, one thousand eight hundred and *thirteen*

Allowed by

Walter Franklin

John Jefferson

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to
John Scott } Affidavit
 } in which
 } to found
 } an Habeas
 } Corpus

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Personally appeared before me the subscriber, President,
of the Second Judicial District of Pennsylvania,
Negro Betsey who being duly sworn according to Law
faith that she is restrained of her Liberty by John Scott
of Martick Township, and that such restraint to the best
of her knowledge and belief is not by virtue of any Com-
mitment, or detained for any criminal or supposed Crimi-
nal matter. And further faith that

Sworn & made affidavit before me
this Twenty sixth day of May 1813

Walter Franklin

Betsy

Subscribed

mark

Left Hal. Cooper in car. faith with
to be heard at 1/2 past 2 o'clock - this afternoon

W.F.

To the Honorable Walter Franklin Esquire President
of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Lancaster

I beg leave to return to the annexed writ
of Habeas Corpus - That the said Negroess Betsey is
my slave and duly registered as such in the County of
Lancaster in pursuance of the Act of Assembly in such case
made and provided - which is the cause of the taking
and detention of the said Negroess Betsey in my custody

Witness my hand this 26th day of May
1813 -

J. John Scott