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 On Monday the 12th of  
 Philip Eberman  
 Prison Keeper } Habeas  
 } Corpus  
 } for the  
 } Boy of  
 } George Alexander  
 } a Colored man

"By act of Assembly 1785"

Read  
 writ due



Lancaster County, ss. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to *Philip Sherman* GREETING.

**Y**OU are hereby commanded, that the Body of *George Alexander a Colored man* — under your custody detained, as it is said, together with the day and cause of *his* — being taken and detained, by whatsoever name the said *George Alexander* — shall be charged in the same, you have, under safe and secure conduct, before the honorable *the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Lancaster, at a Court of Common Pleas now holding* in the borough of Lancaster, at *10* — o'clock, in the *fore* <sup>*of this day*</sup> noon; to do and receive all those things which the said Judges 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 first* — day of *August* — in the year of our LORD, one thousand eight hundred and *Sixteen*.

Allowed by

*W. S. Clark*

*John Passmore*



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Commonwealth } Affidavit  
 or } on which  
 Philip Therman } to find a  
 Platoon of men  
 for George  
 Alexander a  
 man of Color

filed Augt. 21<sup>st</sup> 1816

Hcb. Corp. of - done

Recd



Lancaster County

Personally appeared in open court  
J. M. Read, who being duly sworn according  
to Law saith that George Alexander (a colored  
man) is confined & restrained of his liberty  
in the jail of Lancaster County - that his  
confinement is not in consequence of any  
criminal charge, but as I am informed on  
account of his being suspected of a runaway  
servant. That this application for an Habeas  
corpus is made at the request of said Alexander  
and further saith not.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1816. before me

Walter Franklin

J. M. Read

Let Hab. Corpus issue & return immediately

Walter Franklin