St North Carolina } 27th Septr 1817
Iredell County } The petition of your Humble

servent Peter Mock Sinr of the aforesd County and State. To the Honorable Generl Assembly at Raleigh Convd for the Year 1817. the Humble petition of your Humble Servt is, as I am in the decline & at the age of seventy Nine Years, and faile accordingly to my age, I therefore have a Negroe Woman Named Weiney that I bought abought 23 Years ~~bygone~~ since, her & her daughter Jain Ridgeway & Both of them served me ever since with as much care & Industry as ever Slaves did, and as my time is but Short tear it would be very ungratfull of me to leave them as bound Slaves, and this ingratitude troubles my drooping Spirits, Now the request of your Humble petitioner is, that the Honorbl Assembly would pass an act for the freedom of sd Weiney & her daughter Jean Ridgeway which is my property, likewise there is part of my personal & real Estate left to them in my last Will & testament for their Support with their own Industry and your Compliance will revive the dooping Spirit of your Aged Father and I rest Satisfied that your generosity will be amply rewarded when time is No More

Your Humble Servant } Peter Mock