

Manumission Document for Peter, an Indian, and [Venter], a Negro Man, Signed by Caleb
Greene, Merchant

December 15, [1774]
Providence, Rhode Island

To all People to Whom These Presents shall come

Know Ye

That I Caleb Greene of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island [Merchant] under a sense of the Opposition and Injustice of Buying and Selling of men as Slaves, and a Desire to Remove as far as may be, the Evil Practice thereof, by complying with the Manifestations of that Divine light which has Shined and is Shining in the mind of man, to bring them out of Darkness, and if adhered to, will lead them into all Truth.-----

Do hereby absolutely Release, Manumit and Discharge forever one quarter part of the time and service of a certain Indian or Mulatto of what nation he may be, called and known by the Name of Peter of whom Robert Livingston and James Lovett claims the Other Three Quarters And Also one half part of a Negro Man Named [Venter] the Other half being claimed by James Lovett Hereby fully confirming to them the Peter and [Venter] their Freedom so far as the parts aforesaid from the claims and Demand of All Persons, by from, or under me; Desiring their Health and Prosperity I the said Caleb Greene have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth Day of the 12th mo.[1774].

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In Witness of
Moses Brown
Job Scott

Caleb Greene