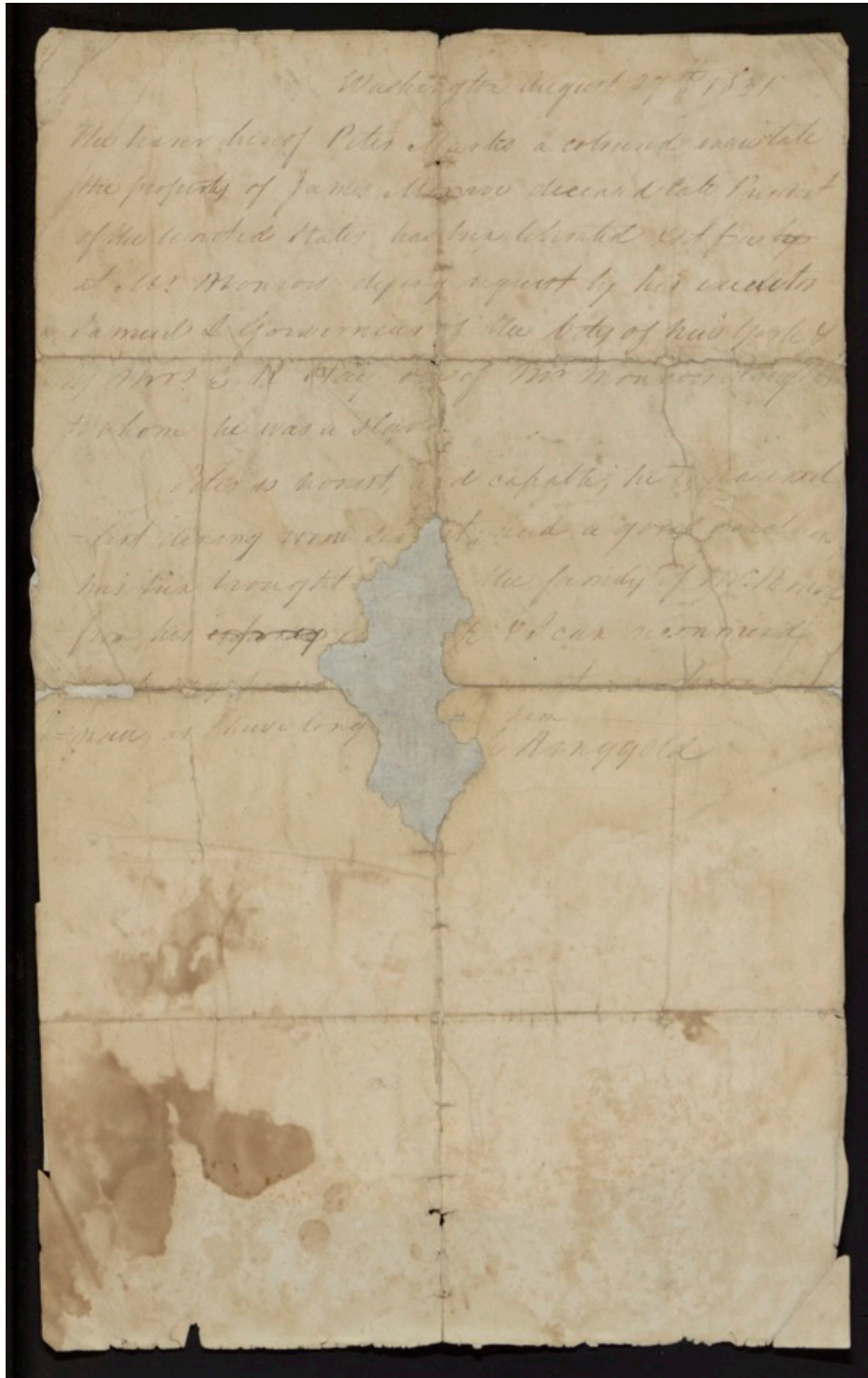


Manumission Papers of Peter Marx [Marks]

Tench Ringgold. Recommendation of Peter Marks. 27 August 1831.



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[Transcription]

Washington August 27th 1831

The bearer hereof Peter Marks a coloured man late the property of James Monroe deceased, late President of the United States, has been liberated & set free by at Mr Monroes dying request by his executor Samuel L. Gouverneur of the City of New York & by Mrs E K Hay one of Mr Monroes daughters to whom he was a slave.

Peter is honest, and capable, he is an excellent dining room serv[an]t, and a good coachman, has been brought [up in] the family of Mr Monroe from his infancy ea[rly] life & I can recommend him to any person [who ma]y want a waiter or coachman, as I have long [know]n him—

[Tenc]h Ringgold