

Title: Margaret Rutledge to John Kean, August 21, 1785

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Margaret Rutledge wrote to John Kean, addressed to NY, thanking him for recovering an enslaved "negro boy." His name is not included. She gave John Kean power of attorney, a document dated August 20, 1785, to act on her behalf.

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Beaufort 21st: Augt. 1785

Be Assured sir your kindness in Interesting
yourself in the recovery of my Negroe boy. I am
extremely oblige to you for, and as you requested
have sent you a power of attorney as also
an Affidavitt of the reality of the property
as it is probable the boy may give some
information relative to some other Negroes
of mine that went of at the same time I have
thought to mention them in the Affidavitt
and request you will be so kind as make the
necessary enquire of him any expence
attending the recovery or passage of the Boy
+c to this place shall be thankfully paid by
Sir Your Most Obt. + very

Hum Servt.

M: Rutledge

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The Honble John Kean Esqr.
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