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b. Medford, NJ, 10/7/1821; d. Philadelphia, PA, 7/14/1902.



William Still moved to Philadelphia at age 23 to work for the PA Anti-Slavery Society. As head of Philadelphia's General Vigilance Committee, he helped as many as 60 runaways a month on their journeys north. Henry "Box" Brown famously mailed himself to Still's office. William Still served as a chronicler of these tales of escape. His book, *The Underground Railroad*, told the stories of over 600 slaves taking their quests for freedom.

"They [those fleeing north] were determined to have liberty even at the cost of life."