

Case No. 2,385.

CANNON v. DAVIS.

{1 Cranch, C. C. 457.}³

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Nov. Term, 1807.

CIRCUIT COURTS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—JURISDICTION—APPRENTICES.

This court has jurisdiction to discharge an apprentice upon petition, on account of cruelty of the master, and to bind out the petitioner to another master.

On the petition of Margaret Matilda Cannon, an apprentice, to be discharged from her indentures on account of cruelty of her master [Thomas Davis].

THE COURT, after some argument, decided (nem. con.) that they had jurisdiction in this case, and being satisfied of the cruelty of her master, Thomas Davis, ordered the apprentice to be removed, the indentures to be cancelled, and the child to be bound out to George Drinker. See the act of Virginia, 11th December. 1792, c. 95, § 15, p. 174.

³ [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief Judge.]