

Case No. 7,396.

JOHNSON v. MASON.

{3 Cranch, C. C. 294.}¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

May Term, 1828.

SLAVE—BRINGING INTO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—FREEDOM.

If a slave be not brought into the county of Washington for sale, nor to reside permanently, he is not entitled to freedom under the Maryland act of 1796 (chapter 67).

{This was a petition for freedom by the negro Louisa Johnson against Milo Mason.}

THE COURT (nem. con.) was of opinion that if the petitioner was not brought into this county for sale or to reside, she is not entitled to freedom under the Maryland act of 1796 (chapter 67), and that the act meant a permanent residence, a residence without expectation of change.

See the case of *Jordan v. Sawyer* [Case No. 7,521], in this court at April term, 1823.

¹ [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief Judge.]