

Case No. 7,509. JONES V. WOODROW ET AL.  
[1 Cranch, C. C. 455.]<sup>1</sup>

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Nov. Term, 1807.

PLEADING AT LAW—RULE TO SHOW CAUSE—GENERAL  
CHARGES—EXTORTION.

It is not necessary, upon a rule on a constable to show cause why he should not be removed “for extortion under color of his office,” that there should be any specification of the particular facts relied upon.

Rule upon the defendants to show cause, why they should not be removed from office “for extortion under color of their office.” This rule was laid last Saturday (CRANCH, Chief Judge, absent). Woodrow & Neal [constables] brought a large subscription of certificates of character, which they showed as cause.

Mr. Jones, for the United States, called witnesses.

Mr. Youngs and F. Lee contended that there ought to be a specification of charges, and objected to evidence under such a general charge.

Mr. Jones was permitted to proceed.

CRANCH, Chief Judge, contra, because the charge was too general.

<sup>1</sup> [Reported by Hon. William Cranch, Chief Judge.]