

**Case No. 10,908.****PEIRCE v. REINTZEL.**

{2 Cranch, C. C. 101.}<sup>1</sup>

Circuit Court, District of Columbia. June Term, 1814.

**WITNESS—INTEREST IN CONTROVERSY.**

The principal obligor, having confessed judgment, and having been released by the defendant from the costs of this suit, is a competent witness for the defendant, to prove the bond usurious.

Debt on the joint and several bond of Daniel and John Reintzel. Daniel, the principal obligor, having confessed judgment, was offered as a witness for the defendant, to prove usury. The plaintiff objected, and cited the case of *Virginia v. Evans* [Case No. 16,969], in this court at November term, 1809, and *Riddle v. Moss*, 7 Cranch [11 U. S.] 206. The defendant released to Daniel Reintzel all costs of the present action in case judgment should go against him.

THE COURT (THRUSTON, Circuit Judge, doubting) permitted the principal obligor to testify for the defendant

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

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