

Case No. 14,564.

UNITED STATES v. BELL.

{1 Cranch, C. C. 94.}¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia. Nov. Term, 1802.

WITNESS—SLAVE—FREE MULATTO.

A slave may be a witness on a prosecution against a free mulatto, in Alexandria county.

Indictment for stealing. Slaves were permitted to be sworn on the part of the United States against the prisoner {Betty Bell, alias Mullican, a free mulatto). Old Acts Va. 348; Code 1792, pp. 199, 200; Act 1801, Jan. 21, § 4.

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

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