

Case No. 15,452. UNITED STATES v. JACK.
[1 Cranch, C. C. 44.]¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Dec. Term, 1801.

CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT COLUMBIA—JURISDICTION.

This court has not jurisdiction of larceny by a slave.

Indictment [against negro Jack, a slave] for theft Plea to the jurisdiction, it being a case cognizable only by a justice of the peace, by the act” of assembly of Maryland.

THE COURT decided that they had not jurisdiction, and ordered the slave to be delivered to a constable to be carried before a justice of the peace.

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