

**Case No. 16,531.** UNITED STATES v. TOM.  
[2 Cranch, C. C. 114.]<sup>1</sup>

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Nov. Term, 1815.

MANSLAUGHTER BY SLAVE—PUNISHMENT.

A slave convicted of manslaughter in Alexandria, D. C., may be punished by burning in the hand and whipping.

The defendant, a slave, was convicted of manslaughter, and the judgment of THE COURT (nem. con.) was that he should be burnt in the hand by the jailor In open court, and should be publicly whipped with thirty-nine stripes. See Act Va. Dec 17, 1792, § 34, p. 190.

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