

Case No. 17,239. WASHINGTON v. WHEATON.
[1 Cranch, C. C. 318]¹

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

June Term, 1806.

CORPORATE BY-LAW—LICENSING OF HACKNEY-COACHES.

The corporation of Washington had authority, under the charter of 1802 (section 7), to pass a by-law to regulate and license hackney-coaches.

Appeal from the judgment of William Thornton, a justice of the peace, in an action of debt for penalty of the by-law, for running hacks without license, contrary to the by-law (chapter 9).

THE COURT instructed the jury that the corporation had a right and power under their charter of 3d May, 1802, § 7 (2 Stat. 197), to make such a by-law, and that it was necessary for the defendant to show an actual license.

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