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Case No. 17,819.

WILSON V. MCCLEAN ET AL.

[1 Cranch, C. C. 465.] 1

Circuit Court, District of Columbia.

Nov. Term, 1807.

EVIDENCE-STATEMENT OF GROUNDS FOR BELIEF.

When a witness states the grounds of his belief of a material fact, his belief, together with the reasons of his belief, are proper evidence to be left to the jury.

In a deposition the deponent said he "believed the goods were for the house of McClean & Winterberry, as they were shipped to McClean & Winterberry at Alexandria."

Mr. Youngs, for defendant, moved the court to strike out the words above (in italics), which the court refused, because the witness has stated the grounds of his belief.

DUCKETT, Circuit Judge, absent

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