

Jefferson County Circuit Court
Case Files - Criminal
November 1841

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State of Missouri

v.

Staley, David

Petty Larceny

Defendant stole a skiff worth \$3.00
from David meaneas, Defendant convicted
and afterwards discharged see book No. 2,
pages 394 and 401

State of Missouri } 3rd Sept. 19th 1841
County of Jefferson } Personally Appeared before
me John Geiger a Justice of
the Peace David McMeans who on his oath
States that some Person or Persons did steal take
and carry away a certain Water Craft Made in
the Form of a very small Ferry Boat which
Boat was seen passing Mr Jacob E Jones about fair
Day light this Day above written with three Men in it
and at or about Sun up Mr Jones & Mr Bryant & my
Self started in a yole & Per sued them about five
Miles down the Mississippi and across the River
to the Illinois Side and when we Perseued them
close the whole three Persons left my Craft &
took to the woods where Mr. Bryant soon
discovered all three of them Mr Bryant then called
out to me here they are and at that time two of
the Men Broke & Run but Mr. Bryant kept one
of them who says his Name is David Staley, & Now
Present before the Justice for Examination the
Craft taken supposed to be worth three Dollars &
Further this Deponent Sayth no A

Subscribed & sworn to before me } David McMeans
on this 19th Day of Sept. 1841 } mark
John Geiger Justice of the Peace }

State of Missouri

David H. Hakey } page 267

Deposition of
D. McMeans

Deposition 371

David McMeans
Eugene Bryant

Witnesses.

State of Missouri }
County of Jefferson } Set September 19th 1841
Person fully appeared before
me the under signed Justice
of the Peace Elijah Bryant who on his oath
states that he Bryant, started ~~about~~ ^{about} Sunday this Morn-
ing he got into a gale in Company with Mr McMeans
and Mr J. C. Jones & Perused ~~three~~ ^{three} Persons down
the Mississippi River about five miles which Persons
had ~~taken a~~ ^{feloniously taken} a
Small water Craft the Property of Mr David -
McMeans and when we Perused them close they
Ran to the Illinois Shore & Left the Craft
and took to the woods where Mr McMeans & I per-
sued them and I soon discovered all three
of them I then called out to Mr McMeans
Saying to McMeans hallow here they are I have
found them & at that time two of the Men
Broke & Run through the woods and the Third
Person is the Person now Present before the
Justice for Examination who States that his
Name is David Staley & further this Deponent
Says the not - - - Elijah ^{his} Bryant
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Deposition of
Elizabeth Bryant
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State of Mass
County of Dufferin
David Staley
David M. Means
Prosecutor

To the Court
of Superior Court
in the County of Dufferin
said you the Court
ordered to take the body of
David Staley & to bring him
to the Court more jail of
said County & the Sheriff
or keeper thereof is obliged
to receive him & him safe
to keep so that the said Sheriff
have him before our Court
to be held in said
County in November & next to be further
detained according to laws given under my
hand this 19th day of September 1841
John G. Jones Justice of the Peace

Warrant of page 207
Commitment No. 25-

State
vs
David Stoley

Committed the
21st Sept 1841

Wm Mose sheriff of
Jefferson county

I Enclose the within writ on the within David
Stoley by detaining his body to the service of
the Court County then Being no part within
my bond this 21st of Sept 1841

State of Missouri
County of Jefferson
vs

David Staley

David McMeans

Prosecutor

To The Constable of Trenchard
Township in the County aforesaid
you are commanded to take the
Body of David Staley & convey
him to the Common Jail of said
County & the Sheriff or Keeper
there of is Required to Receive him
and him safely keep so that he
said Sheriff have him before our
Circuit Court to be holden in

said County in November Next to be further
Delt with according to Law Given under my
hand this 19th day of September 1841

John Guizer Justice of the peace

Sept the 19th 1841

Recd of C F Ellis const of Trenchard
Township the above named David
Staley for safe keeping
M Mops Sheriff

Mittimus a copy of

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Constable Gus

75 ct

CH Ellis constable

State of Missouri } set
County of ~~Jefferson~~ } use the under signed David

McMeans & Elijah Bryant
acknowledge our selves to be indebted to
the State of Missouri fifty Dollars each—
upon the following conditions that is to say
If the afore said McMeans & Bryant shall appear
before Next Circuit Court to be holden in
Jefferson County & state afore said in Notem-
ber next & give testimony against David—
staley & not depart the Court with out leave
then in that case this Bond to be struck &
void. Given under our hand this 19th Day of
September 1841. David ^{his} McMeans ^{his} Seal
Elijah ^{his} Bryant ^{Seal}
John Geiger }

Bond in a Case
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State of Missouri }
Jefferson County } In the Circuit Court

November Term 1841.
Jefferson County to wit.

The Grand Jurors of the State of Missouri
empannelled sworn and charged to inquire
within and for the body of the County of Jef-
ferson aforesaid upon their oath present. That
David Staley late of the County aforesaid laborer
hitherto to wit: on the nineteenth day of Sep-
tember in the Year of our Lord One thousand
eight hundred and forty one, with force and
arms at and in the County aforesaid one skiff
of the value of three Dollars of the property of
one David McMeans then and there being
found unlawfully and feloniously did steal
take and carry away. Contrary to the form
of the Statute in such case made and
provided, and against the peace and
Dignity of the State of Missouri

In: S. Britkey Circuit
Attorney.

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State

vs.

David Staley

Indictment for petty

Larceny.

David ^{vs.} X. McMeans
State

"A true Bill"

Wm. J. O'Brien foreman

Elijah Bryant

David McMeans

Witness for State

State
vs.
John Staley

In Jefferson Circuit Court
On conviction for Petty Larceny
November Term. 1841.

The Circuit Attorney prosecuting for and on behalf of the State, within the County of Jefferson aforesaid. Comes here into Court and moves that the said Defendant John Staley altho convicted of a Crime or offence below the grade of felony at this term of this ^{Court} be discharged from imprisonment for the following reasons.

1. Because the said Defendant has no property or means of satisfying the fine or costs imposed on him in the above Cause,

2. Because the said Defendant John Staley is and was from the time of his arrest in this Case wholly insolvent and without any means of paying or satisfying the fine or costs in the above Cause.

Nov. 15 - 1841.

J. S. Brickley Circuit Attorney

On this cause the defendant was convicted and afterwards discharged on the above motion

See Record Book No 2 pages 394 & 401

Test

J. M. Weather, C. M.

\$95.00

State

vs.

John Steacy

Motion for discharge
of Steacy from his
imprisonment.

Filed 17 Nov. 1841.

Wm. W. Steacy
Attorney

State
v.
Atley

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on Conviction for Petty Larceny

I claim my fee of four Dollars in
this case allowed by law - \$4.00
The clerk will charge my fee in the
above case allowed by law.

H. J. Bailey Circuit Attorney



State

or.

- State

for Bill \$4.00