

Jefferson County Circuit Court
Case file - criminal

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December 1863

State

vs

Ashton, John T.

Setting up a gambling device

State of Missouri
County of Jefferson } ss.

Jefferson County Circuit Court -
December Term 1863.

The Grand Jurors of the State of Missouri
within and for the body of the County
of Jefferson, now here in Court duly
Empanelled, sworn and charged upon
their oath present - That John S. Ashton,
late of the County aforesaid, on the first
day of September A.D., 1863, and on
divers other days and times between that
day and the day of the finding this
indictment at the County of Jefferson
aforesaid unlawfully did set up and
keep a certain gambling device com-
monly called Cards the same being
then and there a gambling device
adapted, devised and designed for the
purpose of playing a game of chance
for money and property and did then
and there and on said other days and
times induce, entice and permit one
Smith Halden and divers other persons
whose names are to the Grand Jurors aforesaid
unknown, to bet and play for
money and property at such gam-
bling device and at and upon a

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Chas H. Hooley

Clerk

State

vs.
John S. Ashton

Gambling device

Witnesses

Watson Dribbald

Smith Hallen

Wm. Rutledge

Geo. Wright

Fred. Skaggs

Alvin Bill

Samuel H. Head

Foreman

game played threat-and by means thereof, on the side of and against the keeping thereof, against the peace and dignity of the State and the Grand jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further present - That John S. Ashton late of the County of Jefferson on the first day of September A.D., 1863, at the County of Jefferson aforesaid unlawfully did bet money and property on a certain gambling device adapted devised and designed for the purpose of playing a game of chance for money and property to wit - cards, and upon a game played threat-and by means thereof against the peace and dignity of the State.

James H. Tail
Scrib-att'y, Pro, Term.

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, SCT.,
The State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of the County of Jefferson—GREETING:

We Command you to take *John T. Asher* if he be found in your County, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Honorable Judge of our Circuit Court, *on the 2nd Monday after the 1st Monday of May next* at Hillsboro' within and for the County of Jefferson, then and there to answer unto an Indictment found against him by the Grand Inquest for the body of the County of Jefferson, for: *setting up a Gambling device* contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State.

Elias J. Honey

Witness, THO. C. FLETCHER, Clerk of our said Circuit Court with the seal thereof hereto affixed, at office, this *16th* day of *Decr.* A. D. Eighteen Hundred and *fifty six* *three*

Elias J. Honey

Clerk Circuit Court.



STATE

AGAINST

Pro J Ashton

CAPIAS.

Remitting de vice

JB Dones April 1, 1864

Released June 1864

I executed this writ at the county of Jefferson State of Missouri on the 4th day of April 1864 by apprehending John P. Ashton & taking his Bond for one hundred Dollars for his appearance at Circuit Court with himself as principal & Samuel C. Churchrick as security

Jerome B Dones Sheriff

Know all men by these presents that I
John T. Ashton ^{J. Sherman} as principal and
Samuel C. Hutchinson as security are held
and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri
in the full and just sum of ~~one hundred~~ ^{fifty}
Dollars the true payment whereof we
bind ourselves jointly severally and firmly
and do by these presents acknowledge
ourselves indebted in the above named
sum, signed by us and sealed with our
seals and dated this the 11th day of April
1863 yet upon condition that whereas a
capias was issued from the office of the
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County
Mo on the 16th day of December 1863 and directed
to the Sheriff of Jefferson County Mo in favor
of the State of Missouri and against John
T. Ashton for gambling
now if the said John T. Ashton shall be
and appear in person at the Circuit Court
for the County of Jefferson State of Missouri
on the 2nd Monday after the fourth Monday
in May next to be held in the Court House
in the Town of Hillsboro and not depart
therefrom from day to day nor from Term
to Term without leave of the Court untill
this suit is disposed of then this bond to be
null and void otherwise to remain in full
force and virtue this 11th day of April 1864

Witness my hand and seal this 11th day of April 1864
John T. Ashton Seal
Samuel C. Hutchinson Seal
J. Sherman Seal
Jerome B. Stone Sheriff

State } Indicted December
 vs } term 1863 Jefferson
 Mo. J. Ashton } Circuit Court for
 ing up Gambling device, Nolle Prosequi
 entered June term 1864 and deft
 found and discharged.

See Bill

Honey clerk Indictment 50¢
 Cape as 1/2 Spa 25¢ Nolle prosequi 50¢
 Files 15¢ make fee Bill & Cert of the dgr
 & atty 75¢ copy same cert & Seal.
 75¢ after allowance

\$ 370

J. B. Dover shuff.

Same Cape as 1/2 Bond. 50¢
 Spa 2 onts 1/2 non ests 75¢

\$ 325
 \$ 695

We the undersigned Judge and Circuit
 Attorney hereby certify that we have strictly
 examined the foregoing bill of costs during
 the sitting of the court, that a Nolle Prosequi
 was entered and defendant discharged
 the punishment is by fine only the
 services were rendered for which charges
 are made and compensation is
 given by law. for the services for which
 charges are made, the Clerk of this Court