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Middlesex County

Court of Common Pleas : Court of General Quarter Sessions

Case Files, 1741 – 1888

State of New Jersey v. Charles Morgan

Indictment for Misdemeanor

For taking and carrying away out of the state a negro girl called Diana, a child of Christian,  
of the age of nine years or thereabouts, a servant for years before this time  
of one Nicholas Van Wickle, without her consent

Middlesex County Sessions, June 1818

Box 96

Wheat City June 1819

The State of New York  
County of Hamilton  
Charles Morgan

Attorney at Law

James Parker Freeman

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Attorney at Law  
Wheat City  
Hamilton County  
New York

James Parker Freeman

Middlesex County, ss.

THE Grand Inquest of the State of New-Jersey, and for the body of the county of Middlesex, upon their oath present ; that *Charles Morgan* late of the township of *South Amboy* in the county of Middlesex on the *fourth* day of *March* in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen, at the township of *South Amboy* aforesaid in the county aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly a certain Negro *girl called Liana a child of Christian of the age of nine years or thereabouts a servant for years from that time of one Nicholas Van Wickles* did take and carry away from and out of the State of New-Jersey, with a design and intent the place of residence of the said Negro *girl Liana* to change, without the consent of the said Negro *girl Liana* being previously obtained and testified upon private examination, before two Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the county of Middlesex, in which *she* the said Negro *girl Liana* then resided, contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided ; and against the peace of this State the Government and dignity of the same.

*Thos. Fishburne*  
*Ans. girl*

Witnesses.

*Jacob Van Wickles*  
*David Bloomfield*  
*John Dibrow*  
*Thomas Day*  
*Aaron Hafut*  
*James Skinnear*

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State of New Jersey v. Nicholas Van Wickle

Indictment for Misdemeanor

For disposing to Charles Morgan a certain negro girl called Diana, child of Christian,  
of the age of nine years or thereabouts, then and there being a servant for years  
of him, the said Nicholas Van Wickle, with the design and intent  
of changing her place of residence without her consent

Middlesex County Sessions, June 1818

Box 96

New York June 1868

The State

of New York

County of New York

at the City of New York

James Parker Freeman

Middlesex County, ss.

The Grand Inquest for the State of New-Jersey, and for the body of the county of Middlesex, upon their oath present; that *Nicholas Van Winkle* late of the township of *South Amboy* in the county of Middlesex on the *fourth* day of *March* in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen, at the township of *South Amboy* aforesaid in the county aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly a certain Negro *girl called Diana Child of Christian* of the age of nine years or thereabouts then then being a servant for years of him the said *Nicholas Van Winkle* did dispose of to one Charles Morgan, he, the said Charles Morgan, then not being an inhabitant of the State of New-Jersey, with a design and intent that the place of residence of the said *Negro girl Diana* should be thereby changed, without the consent of the said *Negro girl Diana* being previously obtained and testified upon private examination, before two of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the county of Middlesex, in which *she* the said *Negro girl Diana* then resided, contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided; and against the peace of this State the government and dignity of the same. And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, do further present, that the said *Nicholas Van Winkle* on the *fourth* day of *March* in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen, at the township of *South Amboy* aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, and within the Jurisdiction of this Court, wilfully, unlawfully and knowingly, did take and carry away a certain Negro *girl called Diana Child of Christian* of the age of nine years or thereabouts then then being a servant for years of him the said *Nicholas Van Winkle* from and out of the State of New-Jersey, with a design and intent, that the place of residence of the said Negro *girl Diana* should be thereby changed, without the consent of the said *Negro girl Diana* being previously obtained and testified upon private examination before two of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the county of Middlesex, in which *she* the said Negro *girl Diana* then resided, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of the same.

Witnesses.

*Witnesses.*  
*Jacob Van Winkle*  
*David Bloomfield*  
*John Disbrow*  
*Thos. Dye*  
*Samuel Hapeth*  
*James Skinner*

*Pro. Notary Henry van*  
*Atty. General*

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Middlesex Court of Oyer and Terminer  
June 1818

State of New Jersey v. Nicholas Van Wickle  
Process on Indictment for Misdemeanor

Nicholas Van Wickle is summoned to answer an indictment for disposing of  
and sending away from and out of this state a negro girl, Diana, child of Christian,  
servant for years without her consent

Box 1-22, Folder 83

Medd. D. O. & Town:

The State }  
as } Process  
Nicholas Van Winkle } on  
Indictment.

Bellevue  
Att. Gen.

Ret. December Term 1878

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Att. Gen. D. W. H. H.

MIDDLESEX, ss.—The State of New-Jersey, to the Sheriff of Middlesex, or to any Con-  
stable of said County, GREETING:

We command you to take *Nicholas Van Wickie*  
*if in your County*

and bring *him* before our Courts of *Assize & Terminals &*  
*General Gaol Delivery* to be holden  
at *New Brunswick* in and for the said

County, on the *second Tuesday of December* at the hour of *ten*  
in the *forenoon* of that day, or cause to find sufficient sureties for *his* appearance  
at the said Court, at the time aforesaid, to answer a certain Indictment against  
*him* for a Misdemeanor in disposing of *sending away from*  
*and out of this State* *heyr Gil Diana* *Child of thirteen* a servant  
for years, without consent of

and if not before taken, that then so soon as *he* shall be taken, you safely keep,  
and bring before the next Sessions to be holden thereafter for the said County, on the  
first day thereof, or cause to find sufficient sureties for *his* appearance at the said  
Court, to answer as aforesaid; and have you then there this writ. Hereof fail not at  
your peril. WITNESS *Andrew Kirkpatrick* Esquire,

*Presiding Justice of our said Court* at *New Brunswick*  
aforesaid, the *thirteenth* day of *June* in the year of our  
Lord eighteen hundred and *eighteen*.

*Frederick J. P. J. J.*  
*Atty Genl*

*Deane*