

were sworn affirmed on behalf of the coroner & the jury
William Jones Hill & David Rowell and Salley Rowell on the part
of the prisoner who were sworn and being affirmed touching the
premises and the prisoner in his defence on consideration
of the evidence and the circumstances of the case are of opinion that
the prisoner is not guilty & that he ought not to be tried
therefore the said officer therefore it is ordered that he be discharged.

The minutes of these proceedings were signed by
J. Wick
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At a court held for the county of Southampton on the 30th day of
August 1802 for the examination of Exam Artes a free
Black man for having on the night of the twelfth inst
feloniously & spitefully in stealing a negro boy out of the
possession of John Rawls.

Present Josiah Wick Jacob Dandridge
James Millar George Gundry
Mills Coritt & William Blow } Justices

The above named Exam Artes being committed to the care of
the Sheriff was brought into court and sworn with his
jurors sworn and affirmed touching the premises and the
prisoner in his defence and consideration of the evidence
and the circumstances of the case the court are of opinion
that the prisoner ought not to be tried therefore it is
ordered that he be discharged.

The minutes of these proceedings were signed by
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