

Brig's Deck before he and his Comrades went down into the Boat hear any Person demand from Captain Mulkere's Mate any Papers or any thing else, but that he heard the Mate say that the Captain and Mate of the Brig had while he was in the Cabbin compelled him to shake the Brig's Papers out of the Commission which Captain Mulkere had delivered to him.

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J Ross Cl: Conc.

William Jones Mariner belonging to the Schooner Industry commanded by Captain Valentine Mulkere aged about 46: being sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith that as the said Schooner was proceeding down the Bay of Chesopeak the 18<sup>th</sup> of February last she met with a Brig that was standing up the Bay and was then off of New Point Comfort which Brig Captain Mulkere hailed asking whence she came, and receiving for Answer that she came from Jamaica he ordered her to bring to that he might see her Papers, the Brig having brought to soon afterwards the Schooner's Boat was hoisted out and Captain Mulkere went on Board the Brig where he staid about an Hour and then returning on Board his own Schooner told his People on the Deck that the Master of the Brig had no English Papers (except a Register for a Boston Schooner) that very soon afterwards Captain Mulkere sent his Boat for the Brig's Master calling as he thinks at the same Time to the Mate of her who was walking the Deck, and saying the Master must bring his Papers with him that after the Master of the Brig was come on Board the Schooner Captain Mulkere sent two Men in his own Boat for the three outlandish Men but he believes that the two Men carried no Cutlasses or other Weapons with them, that as soon as the Boat got along-side the Brig he the Deponent saw all the Brig's People jump into the Boat and immediately come on Board the Schooner, and he saith that two or three Minutes afterwards Captain Mulkere ordered his Mate and four Hands to go on Board the Brig and take Care of her, which they accordingly did; that after this the Deponent heard some of the Brigs People ask Captain Mulkere whether he intended to carry her out of the Capes and also heard the Captain answer, that he did not know whether he should or not; that then the Mate of the Brig damned him that had given a Commission for such a Dung Boat and that about half an Hour afterwards there having been during

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