

United States versus Bitterman for selling liquor to the Indians

These legal documents relate to the case of the United States vs. Bitterman (first name unknown) for selling liquor to members of the Miami tribe in November of 1859 on Miami tribal lands in the Kansas territory. The documents include three indictments for Bitterman issued by the U. S. District Court for the Kansas Territory, Third District during the November court term. In the mid-19th century, The Miami tribal lands in the Kansas Territory were located in Lykins (present day Miami) and Linn counties.

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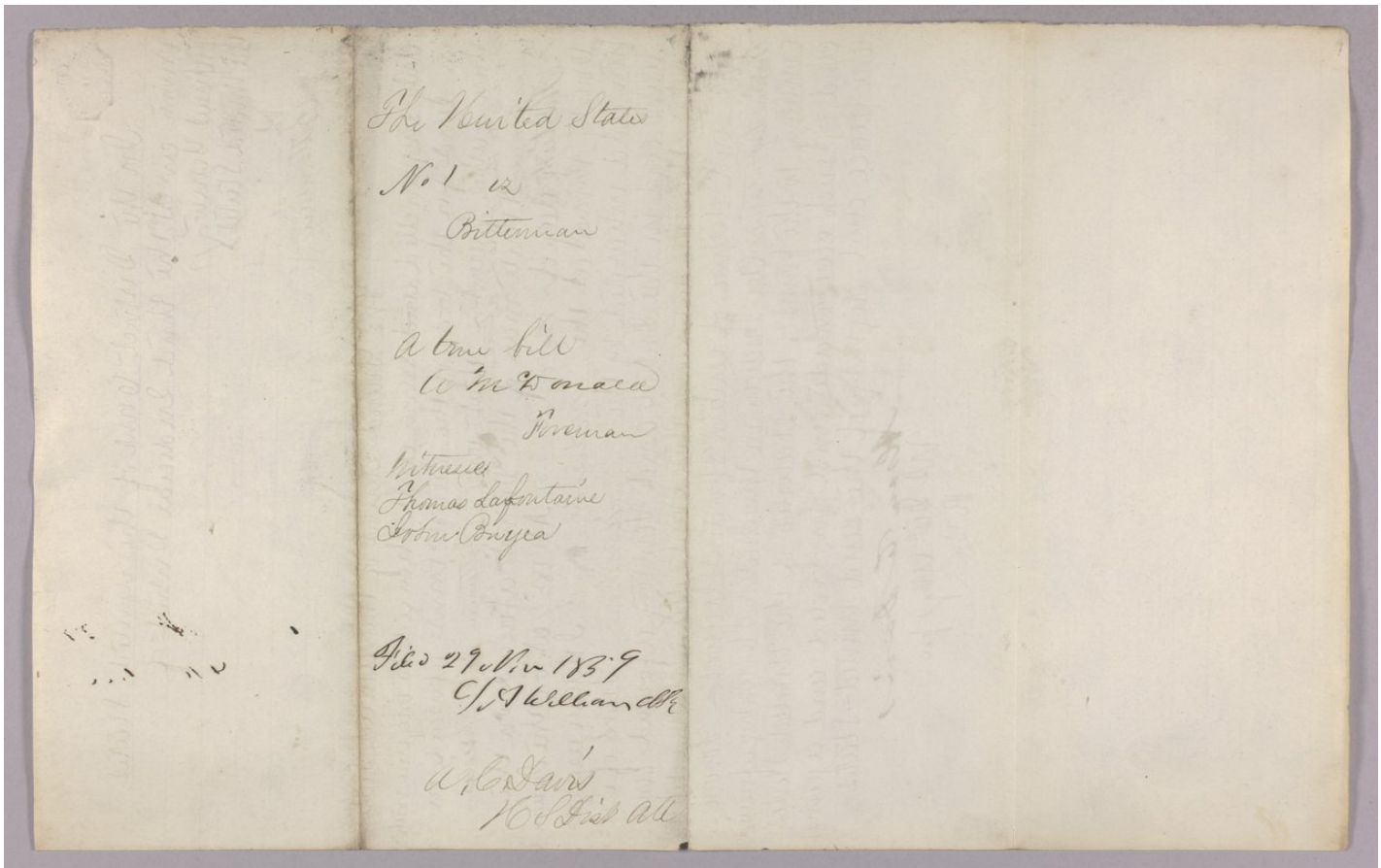
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In the District Court of the United States
within and in the Third Judicial District of
Kansas Territory
the United States
vs.
Bitterman

The Grand Jurors of the United States
duly empanelled and sworn and charged to inquire with-
in and for the body of the District Court aforesaid on
their oath present that one Bitterman whose christian
name is to the Grand Jurors aforesaid
a white man of the District aforesaid on the
thirtieth day of November AD 1857 at and on the Indian
Country known as the Miami Indian reserva-
tion and inhabited by the Miami Tribe of In-
dians and in the District and Territory aforesaid and
within the Jurisdiction of this Court did exchange, barter
give and dispose of certain spiritous liquors - To one
Thomas LaFontaine an Indian in the Indian Country aforesaid
contrary to the form of the Statutes of the United States
and in such case made and provided and against
the peace and dignity of the said United States

Wm T Davis
US Dist Ct for
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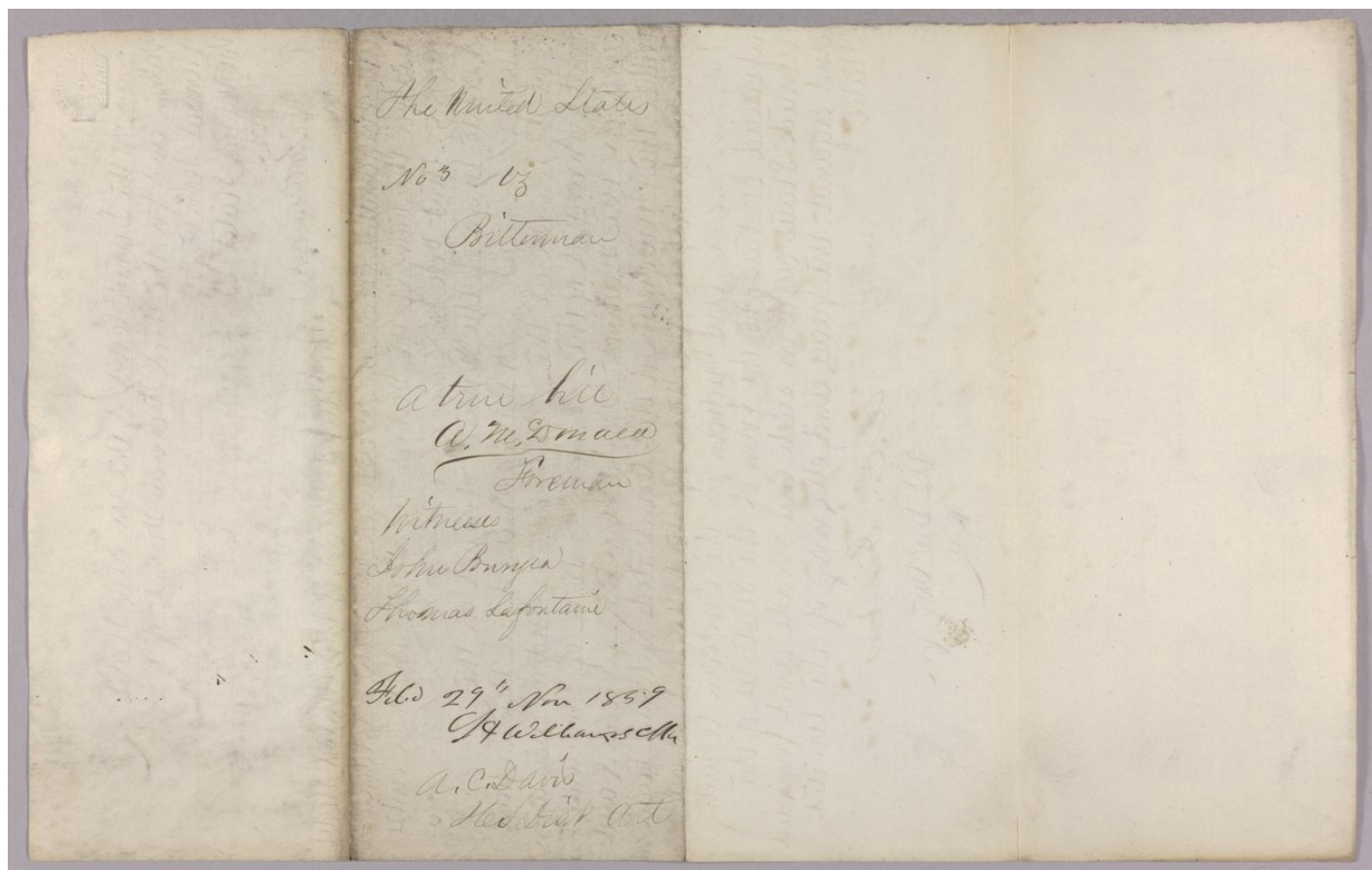
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The Grand Jurors of the United States
did empanelled sworn and charged to inquire within
and for the body of the District aforesaid on their oaths
present that one Bitterman whose christian name is to the jurors
a white man of the District aforesaid on the first
day of November A.D. 1889 at and on the Indian
County known as the Miami Indian reservation
and inhabited by the Miami Tribe of Indians
and in the District and Territory aforesaid and
within the Jurisdiction of this Court did exchange, barter
give and dispose of certain spiritous liquors to one
John Benge an Indian in the Indian County
aforesaid contrary to the form of the Statutes of the
United States and in such case made and provided
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States

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within and for the body of the District aforesaid
on their oath present that one Bitterman whose Christian
name is ^{known} ~~is~~ ^{known} a white man of the District aforesaid
said on the twentieth day of November
AD 1859 at and on the Indian Country known
as the Miami Indian reservation and
inhabited by the Miami Tribe of Indians and in
the District Court and Territory aforesaid and
within the Jurisdiction of this Court did exchange
barter give and dispose of certain spirituous liquors
to one John Pigeon An Indian in the Indian
Country aforesaid contrary to the form of the
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A. C. Davis
U. S. District Attorney
R. Y.

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