

## **United States versus R. M. Davenport for contempt**

These three judicial writs relate to the case of the United States vs. R. M. Davenport for contempt. The writs state Davenport failed to appear at the Second District Court to serve as a juror on October 5, 1857 in Lecompton, Kansas Territory. A final judgement of ten dollars plus court fees was issued on May 9, 1859.

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United States of America, }  
TERRITORY OF KANSAS, } SS.  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE TERRITORY OF KANSAS—GREETING:—

WHEREAS: On the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May A. D. 1859, at the March adjourned May,

Term of the District Court of the United States, within and for the Second Judicial District of said Territory,.....

The United States  
obtained a Judgment against R. M. Davenport

for the sum of \$..... Debt, \$ 10 fine ~~damages~~, and \$ 17 20 for their Costs  
in said suit expended, with \$ 1.60 additional costs, on this and previous execution.

These are therefore to command you to levy and make, of the goods and chattels of the said Judgment Debtor, the sum of \$ 28.80 ~~100~~ the said Debt, Damages and Costs, with your fees hereon; and for want of goods and chattels, that you levy and make the same of the lands and tenements and real estate of the said Judgment Debtor, and that you have the same before our said Court without delay, to satisfy the Judgment and Costs aforesaid, and that you return this writ within sixty days after this date; and also, that you certify how you execute this writ.

Witness the name of the Hon. RUSH ELMORE, Judge.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, L. McARTHUR, CLERK,

hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of said Court, at office in Leecompton in

said District, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March A. D. 1860,

L. McArthur CLERK.

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Exctn. for March Term 1859,  
United States,  
67-1053 Contempt.

W. M. Davenport.  
Alias Issued March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1860,  
N<sup>o</sup> 3

W. M. Davenport,  
Fine 10.  
Costs 18.80  
\$28.80

Not Served for want  
June the 1<sup>st</sup> 1860  
of time P. S. Colby  
U S Marshal by  
Pah Cosgrove Deputy  
Filed June 1<sup>st</sup> 1860  
J M Arthur clerk





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United States of America, Territory of Kansas,  
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, } SS.

And County of .....

The U.S. of America

Territory of Kansas: To the U.S. Marshal for said  
Territory..... GREETING:

Whereas, On the — day of ....., A. D. 1857, at the March  
Term of the District Court of the United States within and for  
the Second Judicial District of the said Territory,

The United States

obtained a Judgment vs. R. M. Davenport

for the sum of \$..... Debt, \$1000 Fine Damages, and  
\$17.20 for his costs in said suit expended.

These presents are therefore, to command you to levy and make of the goods and chattels  
of the said Judgment Debtor the sum of \$27.20, the said debt, damages and costs,  
with your fees hereon, and for want of goods and chattels, that you levy and make the same of  
lands and tenements and real estate of the said Judgment Debtor, and that you have the  
same before our said Court without delay, to satisfy the Judgment and costs aforesaid, and that  
you return this writ within sixty days after this date; and also that you certify how you execute  
this writ.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my hand, and caused to be affixed the

Seal of the said Court. Done at the city of Leecompton, this

8<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. 1857

L. M. Arthur CLERK.

By C. Biefendorf D. C.

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Returned by Muller  
bona, Sept 7, 1859  
Philip S. Kelly  
U. S. Marshal  
1932 East Street  
St. Louis

Filed Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1859  
J. M. Arthur Clerk

More est-  
Muller 45-

No 67  
Execution  
vs  
R. M. Davenport  
United States  
vs Contempt  
R. M. Davenport

Fines	10.00
Clks. fees	4.80
Marsh. "	2.40
Attys. "	10.00
	<u>\$27.20</u>

Issued July 8<sup>th</sup> 1859  
Received July 13, 1859  
Johnson, Mountbells

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Davenport  
J. M. Arthur  
Clerk



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United States of America, Territory of Kansas,  
Second Judicial District  
AND THE COUNTY OF.....

The *United States of America*  
To the *United States Marshal for Kansas*  
Whereas on the *10* day of *September* A. D. 1859, *R. M. Davenport*  
..... was *summoned*..... to be and appear before the District Court  
of the United States within and for the *Second Judicial District* of the Territory of Kansas  
to be held at the Court House in the *City* of *Leecompton* within and for the *District*  
aforesaid, on and from the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* A. D. 1859; then and there to *serve*  
as a *Grand Juror*  
as appears by the return of the *U. S. Marshal*  
upon the *venue*..... issued out of the Clerk's office of the said Court on the *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*  
A. D. 1859 and made returnable to our said Court at the Term aforesaid, now on file in said office. And whereas  
afterwards to wit: On the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* A. D. 1859 in open Court, at the Term aforesaid,  
the said *R. M. Davenport* was solemnly called to come into Court, to  
*serve*..... as aforesaid and came not, but made default and committed a contempt against our said Court.  
And whereas, our said Court on the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* A. D. 1859 did order and assess  
a fine for the sum of *Ten* dollars, for his contempt in not attending our said Court, in  
obedience to said *Call of the Court*; and did further order and enter up a judgment *ni. si.* against the  
said *R. M. Davenport* for the sum of *Ten*  
dollars, and that a scire facias issue against the said *R. M. Davenport*  
..... returnable to the next Term of our said Court, that he may show cause why said judg-  
ment should not be made final against him. These are therefore to command you to give notice to the said  
*R. M. Davenport* that he be and appear before the District Court of the United  
States within and for the *Second Judicial District* of the Territory of  
Kansas, on the first day of the next Term thereof, to be begun and held at the *City* of *Leecompton*  
within and for the *Second Judicial District*  
of said Territory, on and from the *2<sup>nd</sup>* Monday and *14<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* A. D. 1859, to  
show cause why said judgment should not be made final. And that you return this writ to our said Court on the first day of the next  
term, and that you certify how you execute the same.  
Issued this *2<sup>nd</sup>* day of *March* A. D. 1859

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the said Court affixed at  
*Leecompton* this the *2<sup>nd</sup>*  
day of *Leecompton* A. D. 1859  
*L. M. Arthur* CLERK.  
*R. G. Fred. Pentecost* DEPUTY.

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