

## **Metappin, a Powhatan Indian**

**March 1661/2**

*[Members of the Assembly ruled that Metappin should be free. They noted that he spoke perfect English and wanted to be baptized.]*

METAPPIN a Powhatan Indian being sold for life time to one Elizabeth Short by the king of Wainoake Indians who had no power to sell him being of another nation, it is ordered that the said Indian be free, he speaking perfectly the English tongue and desiring baptism.

**Source:** Hening, ed., The Statutes at Large, vol. 2, p. 155.

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