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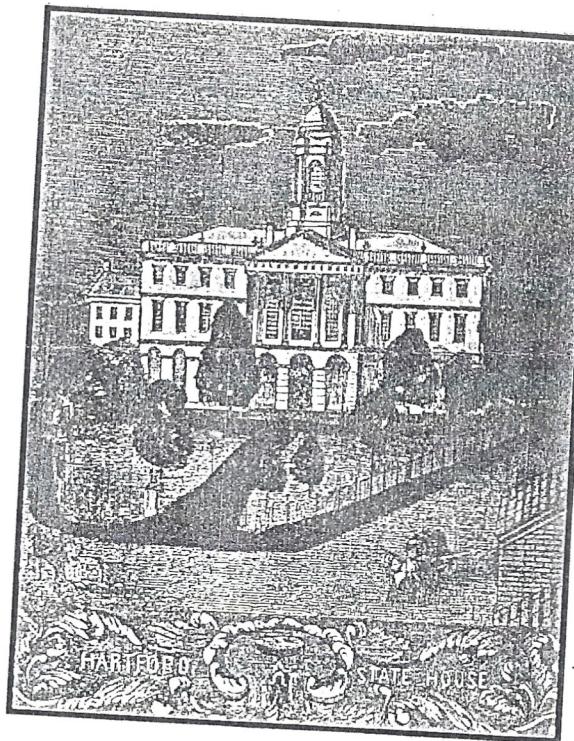
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*Setting the Record Straight*  
*The Amistad Trial*  
*at the*  
*Hartford State House*  
*September 17, 1839*



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*Setting the Record Straight* is a dramatic presentation of events surrounding the capture and trial of the African's aboard the *Amistad* in 1839. For dramatic purposes, some speeches and scenes in the script are recreations based on available historic records. Where possible, we have used the exact text from the historic record. We would like to thank the Amistad Committee of New Haven, Connecticut for making available to the public a large number of historic documents and interpretations. These were invaluable to us. We would also like to thank the Connecticut State Library and The Connecticut Historical Society in assisting us with our research. We would especially like to thank Ralph Elliot for helping us understand the legal proceedings of the U.S. Circuit Court and U.S. District Court of Connecticut that occurred at the Old State House during the *Amistad* trial.