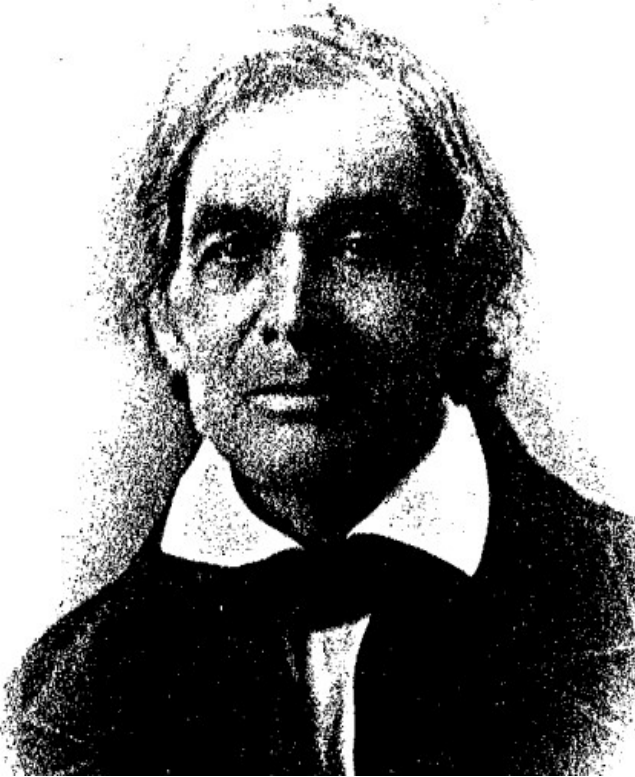


## **ANDERSON CRENSHAW**

Associate Justice: 1832-1838

BORN: May 22, 1783; Newberry District, South Carolina

DIED: August 31, 1847; Butler County, Alabama



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A native of Newberry District, South Carolina, Anderson Crenshaw was the first graduate of South Carolina College at Columbia in 1806. After leaving college, he read law under Judge Abraham Nott and was licensed to practice in 1809 and immediately entered the legal profession. He was elected to the South Carolina legislature in 1812, and some years later was a candidate for congress, but was defeated.

Crenshaw moved to Alabama in 1819, and settled at Cahaba, the capital, where he practiced law for a short time. He later moved to Butler county in 1821 and was elected circuit judge in that same year.

Crenshaw also was an associate justice on the Supreme Court of Alabama, which was composed of circuit judges, until the supreme and circuit courts were separated in 1832. After which time, he continued on the circuit bench until 1838. He resigned from that position in 1838 in order to accept the election to the office of chancellor of the separate court of chancery. He served in that position from 1839 to 1847. In 1865 the legislature named Crenshaw County in his honor.

Crenshaw married Mary Chiles, and they had six children.