

## BROWN vs. KANSAS BOARD OF EDUCATION

This is arguably the most famous educational law and desegregation case in US history. This case denounces the *Plessy v. Ferguson* "separate but equal" law as unconstitutional. In this case a young black female wanted to attend a segregated Angelo school, was denied and took the case all the way to the Supreme Court where the law of segregation in school was deemed unconstitutional.

The lawyers ruled that segregation was in violation of the 14th Amendment. The decision to desegregate was not based on the 14th Amendment only but it favored strongly in the case. The Supreme Court said that public education should be allotted to every American citizen. It should not be segregated based solely on race and that the black and white schools were not "equal". The name of *Brown vs. Board of Education* is actually five separate cases from different states (including Delaware) that the Supreme Court ruled on about public school in America.

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On a side Note: The Delaware case was one of the ones that ruled in favor of desegregating schools before it made it's way to the Supreme Court.