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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

On August 23, 1967, during a deposition in the case of Copeland v. South Bend Community Corporation, NAACP lawyer and lead attorney for the plaintiffs Lewis Steel posed a critical question to South Bend School Superintendent Charles C. Holt: “Given the racial problems that exist in America today, [is] integration…a desirable result which public officials should be trying to achieve?” Holt’s lawyer, L. C. Chapleau, immediately objected on the grounds that the question raised issues beyond the scope of the matter at hand. “I think we are getting into a philosophy that involves the United States [as a whole],” said Chapleau. “We are involved with the trial of certain issues in this case, and I think that the interrogation of this witness should be confined to these questions only insofar as it affects the subject matter of this litigation…. He can answer this one [question], but I don’t know if we continue in such broad questions whether we will permit him to answer” (Reel 7, Frames 0619–0620).

Steel’s question, and Chapleau’s objection to it, point to the dilemma at the heart of the NAACP’s legal challenge to racial discrimination in the Midwestern United States in the late 1960s and early 1970s, extensively documented in this edition of Papers of the NAACP, Supplement to Part 23: Legal Department Case Files, 1960–1972, Series C: The Midwest, Section II: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Seventy-seven case files reproduced in this collection provide a montage—of discrete people, places, and events—that serves to establish a regional pattern of racial segregation. The problem for a legal strategy directed at changing the overall racial picture was that it relied on working one issue and one case at a time through the courts. While this occasionally resulted in the establishment of a precedent with broad applications, more often than not it exhausted vital resources—including, at times, public goodwill—in pursuit of much more narrow rulings. Steel’s question was certainly important, but Chapleau’s protest was also valid. In fact, individual communities and local government officials across the country would have to confront the implications of Steel’s question in terms of the institutions and social arrangements of their day-to-day lives.

The major legal issues highlighted in these documents are segregation in public schools and discrimination in housing, employment, labor union membership, public facilities, and the administration of justice, mostly in the years immediately following the landmark federal Civil Rights Act of 1964. As a whole, the collection reveals the breadth of situations throughout the ten states covered in which people sought the legal assistance of the NAACP, as well as the limits to the national organization’s ability to respond effectively to those needs. Many of the smaller case files contain only a portion of the material involved in a particular controversy, indicating that the NAACP Legal Department played only a supplementary or advisory role in addressing a grievance. In some instances, NAACP involvement on behalf of a client proved fruitless.

One area of relative success for NAACP legal efforts in the late 1960s was the campaign for fair housing. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 did not apply to real estate transactions, leaving the problem of discrimination in the sale or lease of housing without a federal standard. Many local jurisdictions in the 1960s attempted to enact fair housing
ordinances, usually bringing multiple sets of values directly into competition: the rights of property owners versus the right to nondiscriminatory treatment, and the democratic principle of majority rule versus constitutional protections of minority rights. The files here detail local contests over fair housing in Aurora, Illinois (Aurora Branch of NAACP v. McCoy); Springfield, Illinois (Chapman v. Watson); Flint, Michigan (Flint Branch of the NAACP v. City of Flint); and Lansing, Michigan (Ranjel v. City of Lansing)—all of which involved variations on a basic story line: the attempt to enact and enforce local antidiscrimination laws facing either suits to enjoin their implementation or electoral efforts to overturn them through local referenda. In Aurora, the NAACP actually sued to prevent the application of a clause that would have allowed discrimination by real estate brokers if “so directed in writing by the owner of such real estate” (Reel 1, Frame 0064). In Springfield, two brokers sued to prevent the enforcement of an executive order that would have forbidden state officials from renewing the professional licenses of those who engaged in discriminatory practices. In Flint, a successful drive by opponents of the city’s fair housing law forced a referendum on the issue. In Lansing, the U.S. Court of Appeals overruled a lower court’s decision to block a referendum on a local ordinance; the appeals court, though sympathetic to the fair housing law, could not justify preventing a legal election, albeit one that might register a majority rejecting nondiscrimination in housing.

The fair housing issue comes to a climax in these files in the case of Jones v. Alfred H. Mayer Company. Joseph Lee Jones and Barbara Jo Jones saw their first suit against the Mayer Company dismissed in 1966 by a judge who claimed a lack of jurisdiction over their complaint. While the company may have refused to sell a lot in a new subdivision outside St. Louis to the African American couple, “plaintiffs do not contend that the state has given any affirmative support whatever to defendants’ racially discriminatory practices,” noted the district court judge, who went on to say that there existed nothing that could “compel an unwilling seller to convey his property to them in the absence of a statute so requiring” (Reel 21, Frames 0936–0937). The National Committee against Discrimination in Housing took up the Jones’s appeal, and famed civil rights lawyer and director of the Legal Department of the Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith, Sol Rabkin, joined their legal aid team, arguing that the Civil Rights Act of 1866 was, in effect, a fair housing law, barring as it did the conditions of slavery, including prohibitions—governmental or private—on a citizen’s right to purchase and own property (Reel 21, Frame 1019). The case eventually reached the U.S. Supreme Court, which upheld Rabkin’s argument in June of 1968, albeit two months after Congress passed and President Lyndon Baines Johnson signed the last major civil rights law of the 1960s, prohibiting discrimination in the sale or lease of housing. The Supreme Court’s decision in Jones v. Mayer is reprinted here on Reel 22, Frames 0188–0229 and 0230–0264.

The centerpiece of this collection is a series of high-profile school desegregation cases in Midwestern metropolitan areas. Reproduced here—because the lead plaintiff filed suit against the school district of Topeka, Kansas—is the Supreme Court decision of 1954 in Brown v. Board of Education declaring “separate is inherently unequal” and officially putting the federal imprimatur on a policy of ending the assignment of students to public schools based on race. While most immediately affecting the southern states that officially maintained dual school systems, the Brown decree had significant implications for the entire country, including those northern and Midwestern communities where years of inequality and racial prejudice in employment and in the housing market had created residential patterns that effectively produced segregated schools. By the 1960s, the mass migration of middle-class families out of central cities and into suburban jurisdictions had exacerbated those patterns. The legal challenges to segregated
schools in places such as Detroit and Grand Rapids, Michigan; South Bend, Indiana; and Minneapolis, Minnesota, were built on the NAACP’s hopes that the Brown decision could be applied broadly to not merely mandate desegregation, but actively work to produce racially integrated schools. Stretched to its logical limits, the Brown decision established a case for eliminating the racial separation of students whatever the cause.

Four sets of case files from Indiana highlight one set of legal tactics for addressing segregation outside the Jim Crow system. In Kokomo, South Bend, Muncie, and East Chicago, the NAACP assisted in lawsuits to block the construction of new school buildings on the basis that the sites chosen would continue to draw students in such a way as to perpetuate and enhance the established patterns of de facto racial segregation in the public school systems. The original complaint in Collier v. Kokomo—Center Township Consolidated School Corporation, for example, presented the argument that the new school would be “located in an area from which Negroes have been excluded. Due to its location, it will be 100% or virtually 100% white attended,” with the side effect that the new attendance zones would “ensure the conversion of [the existing] Kokomo High School into a racially segregated Negro school. Kokomo High will also be an inferior facility as compared to the new white high school” (Reel 3, Frames 0337, 0429–0430). The 1967 court ruling in Collier denied the plaintiffs’ request for an injunction against the new school, citing a lack of evidence of deliberate intent to discriminate in the site selection. The judge did, however, rule against the continued operation of predominantly black elementary schools in the district “with their inferior educational resources, facilities, and programs” (Reel 3, Frame 0865) and found problems with the lack of black employees in the school system. Higgins v. Board of Education, concerning the Grand Rapids, Michigan, school system, involves a similar issue to these Indiana cases.

Since public school systems are functions of state governments, the NAACP often had to adjust its legal tactics depending on variations in state laws. The school segregation suits in Illinois reproduced here revolved around that state’s Armstrong Act, a 1963 law that allowed local boards of education periodically to revise school attendance zones to prevent and eliminate segregation. The questions raised in Rajala v. Joliet Grade School District No. 86, Tometz v. Board of Education, and the Springfield school case concern the constitutionality of the Armstrong Act and whether it could be applied to situations of de facto segregation. The circuit court decision in Tometz upheld the act as a legitimate tool “by a State in an attempt to correct or remove segregation or racial imbalance in the public school system,” noting that, since Illinois had outlawed de jure segregation in 1909, a 1963 law could not have been intended solely to prohibit state discrimination (Reel 2, Frames 0492–0493). The Tometz decision allowed the Waukegan, Illinois, school board to redraw its boundaries, though perhaps because of two other specific factors in this case: first, the judge decided that the new attendance zones did not create an unreasonable hardship on anyone, and second, that opponents of the plan offered no viable alternative (Reel 2, Frames 0495–0497).

The single most important civil rights case contained in this edition of Papers of the NAACP is Bradley v. Milliken, which grew out of an attempt in 1970 to address the growing segregation of the Detroit, Michigan, public schools at a time when the city itself was undergoing a dramatic demographic shift: the population of Detroit itself became predominantly African American, while most whites in the metropolitan area lived in the surrounding suburbs. After the Detroit school board voted to implement a desegregation plan in 1970, a backlash erupted in the city, leading to the electoral recall of four board members and the development of a determined resistance to busing students across portions of the city for the purpose of achieving racial balance in individual schools. In
1971 the first trial in the case resulted in a judicial ruling against the school board’s policies as a “prima facie case of state-imposed segregation in Detroit public schools” (Reel 11, Frame 0891). The resulting metropolitan desegregation plan took the approach that a state system could apply a state remedy and included dozens of suburban school districts along with the city in a complex proposal to transport students in order to integrate area schools. The suburban districts promptly sued that their jurisdictions were being unfairly involved in a conflict that they had not contributed to creating. Supporters of the metropolitan plan argued: “No plan can ‘work’ if it offers a ready avenue for resegregation” (Reel 13, Frame 0116). Opponents of the plan included President Richard M. Nixon, whose March 17, 1972, message to Congress included the Student Transportation Moratorium Act, a legislative effort to forestall court-ordered busing.

The NAACP enjoyed a brief moment of triumph in 1972 with the judge’s approval of the metropolitan plan. General Counsel Nathaniel R. Jones noted in an internal memorandum on the Milliken case: “We took a Northern city, made a de jure case out of it, proved it and made it stick, and now we have a Metropolitan order. This is the most significant development in school litigation since Brown” (Reel 13, Frame 0287). During the appeal process, which ultimately reached the U.S. Supreme Court, Jones wrote to NAACP head Roy Wilkins, “The case is now bigger than Detroit. It has significance for every Northern community” (Reel 15, Frame 0707). Unfortunately for Jones and his allies, in July 1974 the Supreme Court struck down the metropolitan plan as an unconstitutional infringement on the outlying districts that were not legally responsible for the discriminatory practices of the Detroit school system. The ruling essentially determined the legal limit of the federal approach to public school segregation that the Brown decision had begun twenty years earlier: officially sanctioned racial segregation in public schools would be prohibited, but cases of racial imbalance in individual schools and school districts caused by housing patterns would be beyond the scope of federal interference. Desegregation, in a narrow legal sense, and not de facto integration, would remain the extent of federal government policy.

In the area of employment discrimination, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 1 and Hoel pitted two core constituencies of the national Democratic Party in the 1960s against each other—unionized white workers and African Americans. The case involved the refusal by the St. Louis, Missouri, Building and Construction Trades Council (BCTC), AFL-CIO, to work alongside non–AFL-CIO labor, in this case, a group of black workers of an independent labor organization (Reel 21, Frame 0684). The NAACP filed a charge of unfair labor practices against the BCTC and a judge enjoined the union from striking until the case could be brought before the National Labor Relations Board for a hearing. James v. Ogilvie and Blackwell v. Shapiro contain material on similar cases involving black workers shut out of public construction jobs by discriminatory union practices in Chicago and Springfield, Illinois, respectively. In the latter, Lewis Steel noted that the NAACP’s strategy must remain aggressive against state discrimination and that “we can’t let those unions off the hook that have not opened their doors” to black members (Reel 1, Frame 0261).

Linda Choate’s case represents the only one here involving charges of sex discrimination. A Court of Appeals reversed a lower court’s dismissal on a technicality of her claim that Caterpillar refused to hire her solely because she was a woman (see Choate v. Caterpillar Tractor Company).

Sixteen cases in this collection involve problems in the administration of justice. Ezell Littleton was the lead defendant in a suit against the office of the state’s attorney for Alexander County, Illinois, in 1972, claiming that attorney Peyton Berbling, his chief investigator, and two county circuit court judges discriminated against black
complainants and black witnesses. The defendants cited the doctrine of judicial immunity in seeking a dismissal of the charges, claiming that their roles in the court system protected them from personal liability in the exercise of their official functions (see *Littleton v. Berbling*). In the case of *State v. Coffee*, a defendant appealed his murder conviction in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on the basis of racially biased remarks made by a member of the jury. Frederick Freeman Darsey, incarcerated in the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Missouri, filed suit in 1970 against the U.S. Bureau of Prisons for cruel and unusual punishment in his treatment, including constant transfers to other facilities, assault, poor conditions within the prisons, and unnecessary hardship in distancing him from his son (see *Darsey v. United States*). Darsey never disputed his guilt on telephone harassment charges, but protested the treatment to which he had been subjected for merely a misdemeanor conviction, including transfers to seventeen different facilities in twelve months, six weeks in solitary confinement while awaiting transportation, and, most painfully, being unable to communicate with his family during a period in which his mother died. Darsey’s letters paint a grim picture of prison conditions (see especially Reel 21, Frames 0601–0605).

Several of the files in this collection relate to cases that predate the landmark federal Civil Rights Act of 1964. These illustrate the existence of racially discriminatory practices even in northern and Midwestern communities that lacked the formal Jim Crow systems of the old South. *Gwynn v. Caldwell* concerns a suit by multiple defendants who were arrested for refusing to leave a restaurant in Peoria, Illinois, after they were denied service in 1962. The Civil Rights Act later explicitly prohibited this type of discrimination in public accommodations. James E. Gregory III and his family sued two proprietors in Wisconsin who refused to allow him to rent spaces in their trailer parks in 1963 and 1964 (see *Gregory v. Laufenberg* and *Gregory v. Madison Mobile Homes Park*). The interpretation of this case turned on whether a trailer park more closely resembled a public accommodation (and thus covered by civil rights law) or private housing, which did not have federal antidiscrimination protection until 1968. In another notable case, a Dr. Deters in St. Paul, Minnesota, refused to treat a Mrs. Zachary, claiming that taking on black patients would hurt his business with white customers (see *Zachary v. Deters*). The state board of medical examiners issued an official warning of misconduct to the doctor, but no legal mechanism existed to prevent racial discrimination in the provision of medical care.

This edition of *Papers of the NAACP* represents the seventh section of legal case files microfilmed by LexisNexis focusing on the period after 1965. Other parts of *Papers of the NAACP* that contain significant documentation on the NAACP Legal Department are Part 23: *Legal Department Case Files, 1956–1965*; Part 22: *Legal Department Administrative Files*; and Supplement to Part 16: *Board of Directors File, 1966–1970*. 
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EDITORIAL NOTE

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ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations are used three or more times in this guide.

**AFL-CIO**  
American Federation of Labor–Congress of Industrial Organizations

**NAACP**  
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
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   Major Topics: Discrimination in housing; real estate business; Aurora Fair Housing Board; discrimination in local government employment, education, and public services; building codes.
   Principal Correspondents: Robert L. Carter; Donald S. Frey; Emily M. Gibson.

   Major Topics: Springfield Human Relations Commission; discrimination in federal contract construction employment and by labor unions; public antidiscrimination demonstrations; discrimination in housing; Springfield League of Women Voters; Ethridge v. Rhodes (prohibition on discrimination in employment and union membership on Ohio State University construction projects).

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   Major Topics: Discrimination in state contract construction employment and union membership; International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers, Local 46, AFL-CIO; Blackwell v. Watson (parallel case against discrimination in federal contract construction employment).
   Principal Correspondents: Robert L. Carter; Lewis M. Steel; Charles Fishman.

   Major Topics: Discrimination in state contract construction employment and union membership; attorneys' fees.
   Principal Correspondents: Charles Fishman; Edward F. Casey; Robert L. Carter; Lewis M. Steel.

   Major Topic: Attorneys' fees.
   Major Topics: Discrimination in state contract construction employment; Associated
   General Contractors of Illinois; equal opportunity employment; discrimination in
   labor union membership.

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   Major Topics: Discrimination in union membership and state contract construction
   employment; Arthur Lincoln Blackwell; Ethridge v. Rhodes.

   Major Topics: Discrimination in union membership, private employment, and state
   contract employment; April 1968 U.S. riots; discrimination in housing; Springfield
   City Council.
   Principal Correspondent: Nelson Howarth.

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   Major Topic: Danville NAACP branch; claim for injury in accident.

   Major Topics: Discrimination at Scott Air Force Base.
   Principal Correspondents: Vernell Burris; George E. Shipley.

   Major Topics: State regulation of real estate business; discrimination in housing;
   United Citizens’ Committee for Freedom of Residence; Equal Opportunity
   Brokers Association.
   Principal Correspondent: Donald S. Frey.

   Major Topics: State regulation of real estate business; discrimination in housing; land
   ownership.
   Principal Correspondent: Donald S. Frey.

   Major Topic: Discrimination in employment and housing.
   Principal Correspondent: Donald S. Frey.

Group V, Box 731

   Major Topics: State legislative districts; Otto Kerner; minority voting rights.
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   Major Topic: Sex discrimination in employment.

Group V, Box 732

   Major Topics: Discrimination in Peoria restaurant; arrest of John H. Gwynn.

Group V, Box 739

   Major Topics: East St. Louis Coordinating Council for Civil Rights Organizations;
   public demonstrations; discrimination in state employment.

   Major Topics: Discrimination in federal contract construction employment and labor
   union membership; Cornelius E. Toole; Legal Office of the Chicago Metropolitan
   Council NAACP; minority employment in Chicago area construction industry.
   Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; Cornelius E. Toole.

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   Major Topics: Discrimination in provision of equal protection by Alexander County
   and city of Cairo judges and prosecutors; doctrine of judicial immunity (prohibition
   on civil suits against prosecutors and judges for their decisions in court).

   Major Topics: Excessive bail; habeas corpus.
   Principal Correspondent: Willard F. Manuel.

   Major Topics: Segregation in Community Unit School District Number 187, Cahokia.

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   Major Topics: Illinois Fair Employment Practices Commission; discrimination in
   employment; employment tests.

Group V, Box 745

   Major Topics: Tometz v. Board of Education, Waukegan City School District No. 61
   (case alleging segregation in public schools); Armstrong Act (Illinois law to alter
   public school districts to prevent segregation); attorneys’ fees.
   Principal Correspondents: Raymond A. Bolden; Robert L. Carter.
*Principal Correspondent:* Raymond A. Bolden.

0300  **Spears v. Chicago Transit Authority, [1965–]1966.**  
*Principal Correspondent:* Robert L. Carter.

0319  **Springfield, Ill. School Case, 1971.**  
*Major Topics:* Segregation of black students and black teachers in Springfield School District 186; protests against busing at school board meeting; Armstrong Act.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Jack A. Peterson; Joanne Long; Jessica Weber.

0429  **Stout v. Construction and Gen. Laborers District Council, 1963.**  
*Major Topics:* Discrimination of International Hod Carriers Union local in its job referral system.

0438  **Taylor (B.) v. Board of Education, 1964.**  
*Major Topics:* Segregation in Community High School District No. 302, St. Anne; educational facilities; Illinois State Conference of NAACP Branches.

0463  **Taylor (S.) v. Board of Education, 1962.**  

0471  **In re Thomas, 1970.**  
*Major Topic:* Police brutality, murder, and fraud in the deaths of Black Panther Party members Fred Hampton and Mark Clark.

0477  **Todd v. Joint Apprenticeship Comm. of Steel Workers, 1963.**  
*Major Topics:* Ronald L. Todd; Joint Apprenticeship Committee of the Steel Workers of Chicago; International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers Local Union No. 1; Bethlehem Steel Company; Board of Education of the City of Chicago; discrimination in apprenticeship programs, union membership, and employment.

0485  **Tometz v. Board of Education, 1966.**  
*Major Topics:* Segregation in Waukegan City School District No. 61; Armstrong Act.

Group V, Box 746

0498  **Tramble v. Converters Ink Co., 1971–1972.**  
*Major Topics:* Discrimination in employment; legal ethics; Legal Office, Chicago Metropolitan Council, NAACP.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Malaciah Tramble; Cornelius E. Toole.

Group V, Box 775

0546  **United States v. School Dist. 151 [ca. 1967].**  
*Major Topic:* Segregation of black students and black teachers in Cook County.
   Major Topics: University of Illinois Black Students' Association; public
demonstrations; attorneys' fees.
   Principal Correspondents: David N. Addison; Raymond A. Bolden.

0566 Waukegan Demonstration Case, 1966.
   Major Topics: Waukegan NAACP branch members' participation in riot; attorneys'
fees.

   Major Topic: Discrimination in education.

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   Major Topics: Jesse James Duvose; Clinton Boga; Terre Haute NAACP branch;
discrimination in police procedure.
   Principal Correspondents: Syd Finley; Donald E. Turner.

   Major Topic: Discrimination in police and judicial procedure.

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   Major Topic: Discrimination in housing and public facilities.

0635 Collier v. Kokomo–Center Township Consol. School Corp.—Background
   Major Topics: Segregation in housing and public schools; educational facilities;
federal aid for elementary social studies curriculum development.

0756 Collier v. Kokomo–Center Township Consol. School Corp.—Background
   Information, 1966.
   Major Topics: Public participation in urban development; federal aid for elementary
social studies curriculum development.

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0001 Collier v. Kokomo–Center Township Consol. School Corp.—Background
   Major Topics: Federal aid for elementary school curriculum development; public
school administration; public demonstrations led by Kokomo NAACP branch
against segregation in housing and public schools.
0208  Collier v. Kokomo–Center Township Consol. School Corp.—Background Information, undated.
   Major Topics: Public school administration; public housing.

   Major Topic: Educational facilities.

   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools and housing; discipline of white teacher for verbal and physical abuse of black students.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; John Curry; Brunetta Fowler.

   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools and housing.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; William D. Joyner.

   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; abuse of black students by white teachers.
   Principal Correspondent: Lewis M. Steel.

   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; Patrick E. Chavis Jr.; Robert L. Carter; Willard Ransom; R. Stanley Lawton.

   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; discrimination in employment of black teachers.
   Principal Correspondent: Lewis M. Steel.

   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; public school administration.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; Robert Dalton.
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0001  Collier v. Kokomo–Center Township Consol. School Corp.—General Case Material, August–October 1968.
       Major Topics: Kokomo school district desegregation plan; attorneys’ fees.
       Principal Correspondents: Patrick E. Chavis Jr.; Lewis M. Steel.

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       Major Topics: Kokomo school district desegregation plan; new school construction; public school enrollments; black students.
       Principal Correspondents: Melvin W. Bolden Jr.; Robert A. Wright.

       Major Topics: Segregation in Kokomo public schools; construction contracts.

       Major Topics: Discrimination in employment of public school teachers; educational facilities; public school enrollments; black students.
       Principal Correspondent: Lewis M. Steel.


       Major Topic: Psychological research on the effects of segregation in schools.

       Major Topics: Educational facilities; educational tests; public school enrollments; black students; segregation in public schools.

       Major Topics: Educational facilities; black students; discrimination in employment of black teachers; educational tests; segregation in public schools; new school construction.
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Group V, Box 784 cont.


*Major Topics:* New school construction; black students; discrimination in employment of black teachers; educational facilities; public demonstrations led by Kokomo NAACP branch against segregation in housing and public schools.


*Major Topics:* Verbal and physical abuse of black students by white teachers; discrimination in housing.

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*Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; new school construction; discipline of white teachers for verbal and physical abuse of black students; educational facilities; federal aid to education.


*Major Topics:* Verbal and physical abuse of black students by white teachers; discrimination in employment of black teachers; federal aid to education; segregation in public schools; new school construction.


*Major Topics:* Discrimination against black students by white teachers; segregation in public schools; discrimination in employment of black teachers.

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Group V, Box 785 cont.


*Major Topics:* Educational materials; public demonstrations against discrimination in public schools; verbal and physical abuse of black students by white teachers; new school construction.
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   Major Topics: Educational facilities; educational materials; discrimination in employment of black teachers.

   Major Topics: Kokomo school district desegregation plan; black students.

   Major Topics: Kokomo school district desegregation plan; black students; psychological research on the effects of segregation in schools; educational facilities.

   Major Topics: Kokomo school district desegregation plan; housing conditions; urban development; educational facilities.

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Indiana cont.

Group V, Box 786 cont.

   Major Topics: Educational facilities; Kokomo school district desegregation plan.

Group V, Box 787

   Major Topics: Discrimination in employment of black teachers; South Bend NAACP branch; segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Daniel E. Peil; Thomas H. Singer.

   Major Topic: School desegregation plan.

   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; black teachers; new school construction; J. Chester Allen Sr.; educational facilities.
0361 *Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.*—Background Information—South Bend Schools [1963–1967].
   **Major Topics:** Black teachers; curricula; black students; public school enrollments; federal aid to education; school desegregation plan.

   **Major Topics:** Educational facilities; federal aid to education; black students; segregation in public schools; discrimination in employment of black teachers.

   **Major Topics:** Segregation in public schools; black students; educational facilities; race relations; federal aid to education.

   **Major Topic:** Statistical data on public school teachers and black public school employees.

   **Major Topics:** Special education; curricula.

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   **Major Topics:** Educational materials; educational finance.

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   **Major Topics:** Educational finance; new school construction.

   **Major Topics:** Black students; educational facilities; educational materials; special education; educational finance; federal aid to education.
   **Principal Correspondents:** Lynne Schneiders; Charles E. “Ed” Noll.

   **Major Topics:** Value of South Bend Community School Corporation property; public school employees; curricula; teachers; educational facilities.
0512  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, January–May 1966.
   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; new school construction.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; Daniel E. Peil; Charles H. Willis; Robert L. Carter; Lynne Schneiders.

0627  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, June–December 1966.
   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Daniel E. Peil; Charles H. Wills; Lewis M. Steel; J. Chester Allen Jr.

0704  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, January–February 1967.
   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; educational facilities.
   Principal Correspondents: J. Chester Allen Jr.; Charles H. Wills; Lewis M. Steel; Arthur J. Perry; Louis C. Chapleau.

0834  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, March 1967.
   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Louis C. Chapleau; Lewis M. Steel; Arthur J. Perry; J. Chester Allen Jr.

0916  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, April 1967.
   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Louis C. Chapleau; Lewis M. Steel; Arthur J. Perry; J. Chester Allen Jr.

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   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.
   Principal Correspondents: Robert Crain; Lewis M. Steel; J. Chester Allen Jr.

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   Indiana cont.

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0001  **Copeland v. South Bend Community School Corp.**—General Case Material, August–October 1967.
   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; attorneys’ fees.
   Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; Pat Berg.

Major Topic: South Bend NAACP branch reaction to school district desegregation plan.

Principal Correspondents: Lewis M. Steel; Louis C. Chapleau; Roy Wilkins; Charles C. Holt.


Major Topic: Safety of public school building.


Major Topic: Safety of public school building.


Major Topics: New school construction; segregation in public schools; East Chicago NAACP branch.

Principal Correspondents: Lester A. White; Jessie G. White; Joan Franklin.

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Fair Share Org. v. Philip Nagdeman and Sons [1963].

Major Topic: Public protest of retail store’s discrimination in employment.

Muncie School Case—Background Information, 1961–1968.

Major Topics: State civil rights laws; segregation in public schools.
   Major Topics: New school construction; urban development; segregation in public
   schools; Muncie NAACP branch; discrimination in housing.
   Principal Correspondents: Hurley Goodall; John V. Hamilton.

   Major Topics: New school construction; segregation in public schools; Muncie
   Human Rights Commission; arrests and expulsion of high school students for
   fighting.
   Principal Correspondents: John V. Hamilton; John B. Beasley.

0382  Muncie School Case—General Case Material, 1967.
   Major Topics: Segregation in public schools; educational facilities; new school
   construction; Muncie NAACP branch; discrimination in employment.
   Principal Correspondents: John V. Hamilton; T. Frank Yuhas.

0446  Muncie School Case—General Case Material, 1968 and undated.
   Major Topics: Muncie Human Rights Commission; segregation in public schools;
   new school construction; Muncie NAACP branch.
   Principal Correspondents: Hurley Goodall; John V. Hamilton; Joan Franklin; Robert
   L. Van Lierop.

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   Iowa

Group V, Box 842

   Major Topic: Juror racial prejudice in murder conviction of Hoover L. Coffee.
   Principal Correspondents: Hoover L. Coffee; Thomas M. Kelly Jr.; James I.
   Meyerson; Judith Savitz.

Group V, Legal Department Case Files
   Kansas

Group V, Box 844

   Major Topic: Court-martial of Airman Alan L. Bolden for theft at McConnell Air Force
   Base.

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   Base.
   Principal Correspondent: J. Francis Polhaus.

   Major Topic: U.S. Supreme Court decision prohibiting segregation in public schools.
Major Topic: Court-martial of U.S. Army Private Gregory J. Hemphill for automobile theft and assault.
Principal Correspondents: Gregory J. Hemphill; Jonathan M. Landers.

Major Topic: Discrimination in admission to union-run electrical apprenticeship program.

Major Topic: Ford Foundation grant to Detroit public schools.

Major Topic: Segregation in Detroit public schools.
Principal Correspondents: June Shagaloff; Nathaniel R. Jones.

Major Topics: Attorneys’ fees; segregation in Detroit public schools.
Principal Correspondents: Louis R. Lucas; Nathaniel R. Jones; E. Winther McCroom; William E. Caldwell.

Major Topics: Appellate procedure; segregation in Detroit public schools.
Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

Major Topic: Segregation in Detroit public schools.
Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; Louis R. Lucas.

Major Topics: Segregation in Detroit public schools; attorneys’ fees.
Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

Major Topics: Detroit Board of Education; appellate procedure.
Principal Correspondent: George E. Bushnell Jr.

Major Topics: Appellate procedure; attorneys’ fees.
Principal Correspondents: William H. Penn Sr.; Nathaniel R. Jones.
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   Major Topics: Segregation in Detroit public schools; attorneys’ fees.

   Major Topic: Segregation in Detroit public schools.
   Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

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Group V, Box 1042 cont.

   Major Topics: Segregation in Detroit public schools; school busing; Roy Innes; Coleman Young.
   Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; George E. Bushnell Jr.; Philip A. Hart; William G. Milliken.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
   Principal Correspondents: Louis R. Lucas; Nathaniel R. Jones; Roy Wilkins; Stephen J. Roth.

   Major Topics: School busing; metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; urban development.
   Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; William E. Caldwell; Louis R. Lucas; Stephen J. Roth.

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   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
   Principal Correspondents: Louis R. Lucas; Stephen J. Roth; Nathaniel R. Jones; William E. Caldwell.

   Major Topics: Grosse Pointe public schools; metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; Southfield public schools; Royal Oak public schools; school busing.
   Principal Correspondents: Louis R. Lucas; Eugene Krasicky; John W. Porter.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
   Principal Correspondents: George T. Roumell Jr.; Jessie M. Dillard; Richard M. Nixon.
Major Topics: School busing; discrimination in education; metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.
Principal Correspondent: Richard M. Nixon.

Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

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0001  *Bradley v. Milliken*—General Case Material, April 1972.
Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.

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Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; Southfield public schools; Allen Park public schools; public school enrollments; black students.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; William G. Milliken; school busing.
Principal Correspondent: John W. Porter.

Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

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Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.
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   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; Birmingham (Michigan) school district.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; public school enrollments; black students; school busing.
   Principal Correspondents: John W. Porter; Nathaniel R. Jones; Mary C. Brown.

Group V, Box 1046

   Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; educational finance.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
   Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

   Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

   Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing; Southfield public schools; public school enrollments; public school administration.

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   Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

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Group V, Box 1047 cont.

   Major Topics: Public school administration; educational finance.
   Principal Correspondent: George T. Roumell Jr.
Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; black students; discrimination in employment of black teachers.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; public school enrollment; discrimination in housing; public school employees.
Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; Paul R. Dimond.

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Michigan cont.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; Center for Law and Education, Harvard University; Rockefeller Brothers Fund.
Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; Michael Bennett.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; public school administration.
Principal Correspondents: Louis R. Lucas; Norman Chackin; Paul R. Dimond.

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.
Principal Correspondent: Nathaniel R. Jones.

Major Topic: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.
Principal Correspondents: Nathaniel R. Jones; J. Harold Flannery; William M. Saxton; Paul R. Dimond.

Group V, Box 1049

Major Topics: Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.
  *Major Topics:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.

  *Major Topics:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Nathaniel R. Jones.

  *Major Topics:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; appellate procedure; public school enrollments; black students.

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**Group V, Box 1049 cont.**

  *Major Topics:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; public school administration.

  *Major Topics:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; public school enrollments; black students.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Nathaniel R. Jones.

**Group V, Box 1050**

  *Major Topic:* Metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Nathaniel R. Jones.

  *Major Topics:* U.S. Supreme Court decision nullifying metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan.
  *Principal Correspondents:* Nathaniel R. Jones; Jesse F. Goodwin.

  *Major Topics:* U.S. Supreme Court decision nullifying metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Nathaniel R. Jones.

  *Major Topics:* U.S. Supreme Court decision nullifying metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; school busing.
  *Principal Correspondents:* Louis R. Lucas; Nathaniel R. Jones; Frank J. Kelley; Jack Dziamba.

  *Major Topics:* U.S. Supreme Court decision nullifying metropolitan Detroit school desegregation plan; discrimination in housing.
  *Principal Correspondents:* William L. Taylor; Martin E. Sloane.
Major Topics: Attorneys’ fees; segregation in Detroit public schools; school busing.
Principal Correspondents: Jesse F. Goodwin; Paul R. Dimond.

Group V, Box 1093

0831 Delude v. Koch [1970].
Principal Correspondent: A. Glenn Epps.

Group V, Box 1094

0835 Flint Branch of the NAACP v. City of Flint, 1968.
Major Topic: Referendum on Flint fair housing ordinance.


Group V, Box 1097

Major Topics: Segregation in Grand Rapids public schools; educational facilities.

Major Topic: Public school administration.
Principal Correspondent: Louis R. Lucas.

Major Topic: Public school administration.

Major Topics: Housing conditions in Grand Rapids; discrimination in housing; black students.

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Group V, Legal Department Case Files
Michigan cont.

Group V, Box 1098

Major Topic: Public school enrollments.

Major Topic: Public school administration.

Major Topic: Educational facilities.

Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.

Major Topic: Educational facilities.
*Major Topic:* Public school administration.

*Major Topic:* Segregation in public schools.

*Major Topic:* Public school administration.

*Major Topic:* Segregation in Grand Rapids public schools.
*Principal Correspondent:* Alphonse Lewis Jr.

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*Principal Correspondent:* Alphonse Lewis Jr.

*Major Topic:* Discrimination in employment of black teachers.

*Major Topics:* Grand Rapids Educational Park; educational facilities; curricula; educational innovations.

*Major Topics:* Grand Rapids Human Relations Commission; Grand Rapids fair housing ordinance.

*Major Topics:* Public school enrollments; black students.

*Major Topic:* Segregation in Grand Rapids public schools.

0634 *Higgins v. Board of Education*—Background Information: Campau Area, 1953 and undated.
*Major Topics:* Segregation in Grand Rapids public schools; psychological research on the effects of segregation in schools.

*Major Topics:* Public school employees; black teachers; public school enrollments; black students.

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*Major Topics:* Discrimination by teachers in Grand Rapids public schools; segregation in Grand Rapids public schools; statistical data on population and housing in Grand Rapids.
*Principal Correspondent:* J. V. Williams.
0784 *Higgins v. Board of Education*—Background Information: Optional Zones, undated.

0787 *Higgins v. Board of Education*—Background Information: School Construction 1972 and undated.  
*Major Topic:* Educational facilities.

*Major Topics:* Public school enrollments; black students; educational facilities.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Gordon Foster.

*Major Topic:* Discrimination in housing.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Jerris Leonard.

*Major Topics:* Educational tests; segregation in public schools; school busing.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Betty Tardy; Nathaniel R. Jones; Louis R. Lucas.

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Group V, Box 1099 cont.

*Major Topics:* Discrimination in construction industry employment; low-income housing; school busing; segregation in public schools.

*Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; discrimination in housing.

*Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school administration; public school employee salaries; public school enrollments; educational materials.

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*Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school employee salaries; new school construction; public school enrollments; educational materials.

*Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school employee salaries and policies; public school enrollments; new school construction.

*Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school enrollments; new school construction.
   *Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school enrollments; federal aid to education; public school administration; educational facilities.

   *Major Topics:* Educational finance; public school enrollments; segregation in public schools; new school construction.

   *Major Topic:* Segregation in public schools.

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Group V, Box 1101

   *Major Topic:* Segregation in public schools.
   *Principal Correspondents:* Nathaniel R. Jones; Louis R. Lucas.

   *Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; discrimination in public school employment.

   *Major Topics:* Attorneys’ fees; public school employees; enrollments in public school special education programs.

   *Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; public school enrollments; discrimination in housing; new school construction; discrimination in public school employment.

   *Major Topics:* Attorneys’ fees; appellate procedure.
   *Principal Correspondent:* Louis R. Lucas.

   *Major Topic:* Appellate procedure.
   *Principal Correspondent:* Frank J. Kelley.

   *Major Topic:* Segregation in public schools.

   *Major Topics:* Segregation in public schools; attorneys’ fees.
   *Principal Correspondents:* Paul R. Dimond; Phillip E. Runkel; Nathaniel R. Jones; Betty Tardy.
Group V, Box 1102

   Major Topic: Segregation in public schools.

   Major Topic: Public demonstration in Flint.

   Major Topic: Discrimination in police department employment.

   Major Topic: Contempt of court.

   Major Topic: Federal aid to low-income housing.
   Principal Correspondent: Ronald S. Haughton.

   Major Topic: Discrimination in administration of justice.
   Principal Correspondent: Leo Morrison.

Group V, Box 1133

0828  *Parents ex rel Students of Tappan Junior High School v. City of Detroit Board of Education—Case Files, 1971* and undated.
   Major Topic: Poor condition of public school facilities.

0840  *People v. Andrews—Case Files, 1966.*
   Major Topic: Discrimination in administration of justice.
   Principal Correspondents: Huey Andrews; Alfred P. Stuart.

0845  *Ranjel v. City of Lansing—Case Files, 1969.*
   Major Topics: Discrimination in housing; zoning of low-income housing.

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Group V, Legal Department Case Files
   Michigan cont.

Group V, Box 1134

   Major Topics: Southwest Detroit NAACP branch; Capitol Carriage Company;
   property values; commercial development of publicly owned land in urban
   residential area.
   Principal Correspondents: James I. Meyerson; Edward C. King; Roland Nicholson.
Group V, Legal Department Case Files
Minnesota

Group V, Box 1138

  *Major Topics:* Segregation in Minneapolis public schools; discrimination in public school employment.
  *Principal Correspondents:* Nathaniel R. Jones; Louis R. Lucas; Charles Quaintance Jr.

  *Major Topics:* Appellate procedure; plea bargaining.
  *Principal Correspondents:* Carl Briscoe; Melvin W. Bolden Jr.

  *Major Topic:* Discrimination in employment in Minneapolis Fire Department.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Arvid M. Falk.

0294  *Ethier, Robert, 1972.*
  *Major Topic:* Discrimination in employment tenure at Winona State College.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Robert O. Ethier.

Group V, Box 1139

  *Major Topic:* Segregation in Duluth public schools.
  *Principal Correspondents:* James I. Meyerson; J. Harold Flannery.

0382  *In re Young, 1966–1967 and undated.*
  *Major Topic:* Discrimination in graduate studies program at University of Minnesota.
  *Principal Correspondents:* Katie Pearl Young; Joan Franklin.

  *Principal Correspondents:* Benjamin F. Zachary; Leonard H. Carter; Donald G. Deters.

Group V, Legal Department Case Files
Missouri

Group V, Box 1223

  *Major Topic:* Zoning laws and urban development in St. Louis.

Group V, Box 1226

  *Major Topics:* Prison conditions; treatment of prisoners.
  *Principal Correspondent:* Frederick Freeman Darsey.
Group V, Box 1235

0661  **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 1 and Hoel, January–August 1966.**

  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in federal contract construction employment and by labor unions in St. Louis; strike by Building and Construction Trades Council of St. Louis, AFL-CIO and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1, AFL-CIO; Congress of Independent Unions; Hoel-Steffen Construction Company; National Labor Relations Board.

  *Principal Correspondents:* Arthur A. Hunn; Robert L. Carter; Ina Boon; Lewis M. Steel.

0788  **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 1 and Hoel, September–October 1966.**

  *Major Topic:* Discrimination in federal contract construction employment and by labor unions in St. Louis.

0870  **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 1 and Hoel, 1967 and undated.**

  *Major Topic:* Discrimination in federal contract construction employment and by labor unions in St. Louis.

Group V, Box 1237


  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; National Committee Against Discrimination in Housing; real estate business.

  *Principal Correspondent:* Sol Rabkin.

0991  **Jones v. Alfred H. Mayer Co., 1967.**

  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; real estate business.

  *Principal Correspondent:* Sol Rabkin.

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  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; real estate business.

  *Principal Correspondents:* Sol Rabkin; William L. Taylor; Robert L. Carter

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Group V, Box 1238 cont.


  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; real estate business.

  *Principal Correspondents:* Sol Rabkin; Samuel H. Liberman.

0104  **Jones v. Alfred H. Mayer Co., February–May 1968.**

  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; real estate business.

  *Principal Correspondent:* Sol Rabkin.


  *Major Topics:* Discrimination in housing; real estate business.
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—from the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision

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Reproduced here is the Supreme Court decision of 1954 in *Brown v. Board of Education* declaring “separate is inherently unequal” and officially putting the federal imprimatur on a policy of ending the assignment of students to public schools based on race. While most immediately affecting the southern states, the *Brown* decree had significant implications for the entire country, including those northern and Midwestern communities where residential patterns effectively produced segregated schools.

The single most important civil rights case contained in this edition of *Papers of the NAACP* is *Bradley v. Milliken*, which grew out of an attempt in 1970 to address segregation in the Detroit, Michigan, public schools. In 1971 the first trial in the case resulted in a judicial ruling against the school board’s policies as a “*prima facie* case of state-imposed segregation in Detroit public schools.” The resulting metropolitan desegregation plan included dozens of suburban school districts along with the city in a complex proposal to integrate area schools. Opponents of the plan included President Richard M. Nixon, whose March 17, 1972, message to Congress included the Student Transportation Moratorium Act, a legislative effort to forestall court-ordered busing.