

Law and Social Policy
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SYLLABUS

Class 1: Introduction

Buck v. Bell—READ THIS CASE BEFORE THE FIRST CLASS

Class 2: Slavery, the Civil War and its Aftermath

“Original Sin,” from *Simple Justice*

Scott v. Sanford

Plessy v. Ferguson

Post Civil War statutes and constitutional amendments

Class 3: From Plessy to Brown

Cumming v. Richmond County Board of Education

Gong Lum v. Rice

Note on NAACP Battle against Jim Crow

Missouri ex rel. Gaines v. Canada

McLaurin v. Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Sweatt v. Painter

Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka (Brown I)

Class 4: The Implementation and Limitations of Brown

Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka (Brown II)

Cooper v. Aaron

Materials on Little Rock

Green v. County School Board of New Kent County, Virginia

Swann v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education

Milliken v. Bradley (Milliken I)

Milliken v. Bradley (Milliken II)

Class 5: Theories of Discrimination

Civil Rights statutes

Slack v. Haven

McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Green

Texas Department of Community Affairs v. Burdine

Murrell v. Ocean Mecca Motel, Inc.

International Brotherhood of Teamsters v. United States

Griggs v. Duke Power Company

Class 6: Affirmative Action

An Historical Overview
Johnson v. Transportation Agency of Santa Clara County
City of Richmond v. Croson
Grutter v. Bollinger
Selections from *The Michigan Affirmative Action Cases*

Class 7: Litigation before the Supreme Court of the United States

Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District No. 1
Materials to be distributed prior to class

Class 8: Disability Discrimination

The Problem of Disability Based Discrimination
“The Disability Gulag”
City of Cleburne v. Cleburne Living Center, Inc.
Rehabilitation Act and Americans with Disabilities Act
School Board of Nassau County v. Arline
Bradgon v. Abbott

Class 9: Disability Discrimination

Richard Cohen, *Strong at the Broken Places*
Sutton v. United Airlines
Van Zande v. State of Wisconsin Department of Administration
Den Hartog v. Wasatch Academy
Knapp v. Northwestern University

Class 10: Miscellaneous Issues

Olmstead v. L.C.
Boy Scouts of America v. Dale
Alan Dershowitz, *Rights from Wrongs*
“The Angst of an Aging Activist”
“Keeping the Dog at Bay”