| PLACE | ARKAISAS |  | COMOENTS |
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|  | LSVES | COURT ACTION |  |
| Little Rock | High School | Aaron v. Cooper. August 27, 1956, District Court approved school board gradual integration plan. Affirmed April 1957 C A 8 (243 F. 2d 361). District Court ordered immediate integration September 3, 1957 after defendants petitioned for instruction regarding a proposed delay. | State resistance and violence necessitated calling forth of federal troops to permit enforcement of court order. Federal troops still 11 on duty. |
| Van Buren | High School | Banks v. Izzard. January 1956 District Court ordered "prompt and reasonable start" to desegregate and accepted plan subritted July 1956. | 24. Negroes entered the high school which has about 550 white students. One Negro is in the 12th grade. Ho incidents of any lind have been reported. |
| KEATUCKY |  |  |  |
| Adair County | High School | Willis v. Walker. 136 F. Supp. 177. Ordered admission of high school students February 1956, elementary in September 1956. | No difficulty reported. |
| Hopkins County | A.11 | Miftchell v. Pollock. School board originally submitted plan for gradual integration which was not accepted by the court. January 25, 1957, the school officials submitted an amended plan to the court, providing for the completion of integration over a period of four | Population 6,800 winite, 545 Negro. Only one Negro tranaferred from all-Negro schools which are still maintained on free-choice basis. |
|  |  | years. At a hearing on this plan the court, BROOKS, District Judge, disapproved the subuitted plan and directed that integration of the schools be completed by the beginnins of the September, 1957, school term. |  |

## KEINIUCKY

| PLACE | LEVELS | COURT ACTION | COMMPENTS |
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| MoCracken County | A11 | Wilburn $\nabla$. Holland. Suit brought by Paducah branch NAACP. In response to federal court order, board submitted "voluntary" integration plan, Waintaining two school systems and allowing parents to send children to a school vith white teachers or a school with Negro teachers. | No dipelculty reported. |
| Scott County | Slementary | Dishman v. Archer. January 17, 1957, District Court Eastern District of Kentucky ordered the achool officials "to completely Integrate the Scott County school system commencing with the school tera beginning in September, 1957" and retained Jurisdiction. | High schools had already desegregated as a matter of board policy. No difflculty reported. |
| Union County | High School | Garnett v. Oakley. January 23, 1957 board aubmitted plan and court ordered integration in high school. | Sturgis, a town in this county, was the scens of disturbances in September 1956 when Negroes attempted. to attend classes. The Governor called out the National Guard to escort the students, who were later withdrawn by the school board. In 1957 rinor disturbances occurred, 18 Negnoes enrolled under state pollce protection. All is quiet at present. |
| Nebster County | A11 | Gordon v. Collins. Court ordered Integration in accordance with school board plan subraitted January 1957. | The town of Clay in this county was the scene of September, 1956 disturbances which resulted in the use of National Guardamen to oscort Negro atudents and subsequent withdrawal of the students. <br> No difficulties reported this fall. <br> No Negroes enrolled at Clay. |

## MARYLAKD

| PLACE | LEVES |
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| Harford <br> County | All |



Moore v. Board of Education of Harford County. The school board had originally begun a gradual integration process in fall, 1956. Certain Negroes were unable to obtain transfers to white schools and brought suit. On June 20, 2957, the District Court approved an amended board plan calling for complete integration by 1963 and ordered immediate action on the requests of two of the plaintiffs for transfers.

## COMDENTS

"In Harford County, where Negroes obtained a speedier deaegregation program through federal court action, Negro pupils were enrolled in at least six schools, compared to one last year, and in larger numbers thah anticipated. The weekly HARTFORD DEMOCRAT reported after a week of school, The gradual integration in Harford County schools seems to be progressing quietly. $1:$
Southern School News, October 1957.
(Cf. comments on St. Mary's County under V-A Maryland.)

## OKLAHOMA

Carr v. Cole. January 23, 1957, District Court ordered immediate integration of Negro plaintiffa and all others quallifled.
tember 21, 1957 District
Court issued a declaratory judgment for the plaintiffs when school board attorneys conceded fegro children were white schools. The suit originally involved 27 Negro youngsters, but the judge ruled that only those who had not already transferred to other districts
"Barlesboro, in Pottawatomie County, is opening its white schools completeIy to Negro residents, after four were admitted last spring under federal court order. The move will place some 50 Negroes into classes with about 180 white children, based on last year's enrollment figure." Southern School News, October 1957.

Only 4 Negro children enrolled. No difflculty, although offlcials expressed some nervousness due to Little Rock situation.


## WEST VIRGINIA

Greenbrier
County

| PLACE | LEVES | COURT ACTION | COMRIENTS |
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| KcDowell County | A11 | Martin v. MeDowell County Board of Education ordered desegregat大d schools as of September 1956. |  |
| Mercer County | A11 | Anderson v. Mercer County Board of Education resulted in desegregation during first semester of 1956-57. |  |
| Raleigh County | A11 | Taylor v. Raleigh County Board of Bducation ordered complete desegregation by second semester of 1956-57 school year. |  |
| Cabell County | A111 | Pierce v. Cabell County Board of Education ordered complete desegreeation by second semester of 1956-5? school year. |  |
| Harrison County | A.11 | Wilkinson $v$. Harrison County Board of Bducation ordered desegregation of echools by May 26, 1957. |  |
| Logan County | A11 | Shedd v. Logan County Board of Bducation ordered corplete desegregation by beginning of 1957-58 school year. |  |



## VImGINIA

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Allen v. School Board. $\overline{\text { August, }} 1 \overline{956 \text {. The in- }}$ junction against discrimination on the basis of

Affirmed by CA 4 . Supreme Court refused review, March 1957. Still no integration.


| PLACS | LEVELS | COURT ACTION | COMMEMTS |
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| Dallas | All | Borders v. Rippy. Soptember 1957, Diatrict Court Judge Atwell ordered desegregation in Dallas achools pursuant to order of C A 5, July 1957. No time limit set but the court requested that an order be prepared "ordering integration to be pernitted in the coming wdd-winter term of the schools and not before that time. . ." <br> Southern School News, October 1957, p. 16. | The climate appears quite unfavorable to integration. The decision is in conflict with state segregation laws and the school board has voted to appeal. Judge Atwell had originally dismissed. the petition, but was reversed by the Court of Appeals. |
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| PLACB | LBVELS | COURT ACTION | COMPIEMTS |
| Fulton | High School | Suit brought by HaACP for parents of 16 Negro children denied adrission in 1956. Court ordered impediate integration September 10, 1957. Since achool term had begun, order modified to become effective September 1958. | School board wished to delay due to overcrowding and administrative problems. |



## SOUTH CAROLIMA

Clarendon | County |
| :--- |$\quad \mathrm{All}$

Briges v. Sliott. Clarendon No integration at any County, Sumerton District level in South Garolina. sult that went to U. S. Supreme Court and was consolidated under Brown case. Remanded to Pederal District Court, which ordered desegregation but set no time limit.

## V. SCHOOLS IN WHICH BOARD POLICY HAS SCHBDULED DESEGRSGATION

| ARKANSAS |  |  |
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| PLACE | LTVELS | COMMEVSS |
| Fort Smith | lst grade | Southern School News, October 1957, page 5 states: At Fort Smith integration was started on the firat grade level. Under the plan about 12 Nlegroes were eligible to enroll in winte schools and about 12 whites were eligible to go to Wegro schools. Only one Negro boy enrolled in a white school, none of the whites went to a Negro school. No incidents have been reported. |
| North Little Rook | 12th grade | Southern School Nevs, Ootober 1957, page 5 states: At Morth Ifittle Rock the school board had planned to put into effect a voluntary integration plan starting with the 12th grade. Seven Negro students were registered before classes wore to start Monday September 9, six days later than Little Rock. After the trouble at Little Rock, the North Little Rock Board decided to delay its plan until the "confusion" has cleared up and until the litigation over four state segregation laws is completed. Six of the seven Negroes attempted to enter the high school on the first day of school but were turned back twice by a crowd of students, former students and a few adults. No one was hurt. The parents of the Negroes petitioned the board to let the seven attend the white high school but the board refused. |
| Ozark | High School | Southern School News for October 1957, page 8: At Ozark two liegro boys and a llegro girl enrolled September 2 in Ozarlc High School which has about 475 white students. They went to the school only two days and quit, they said, because of the various harassing incidents by white students. School officials have adopted a policy of not discussing the matter and will give no information at all on it. |
|  | KPGTUCKY |  |
| Oaverna | A11. | No difficulty reported. |
| Lebanon | High School | Ho diffioulty reported. |
|  |  | MARYLAMD |
| St. Mary's Oounty | Elementary | Although 4 Negro applicants were accepted, none enrolled. No trouble reported. At Deale and Easton, previously integrated as a mattor of board policy, some incidents occurred. The one Nogro to emroll at Deale was withdramn. (A suit to compel integration in St. Mary's County, Robinson $v$. Board of Bducation, was dismissed July 1956, with leave to rafile. The Board had announced its plan to desegregate in September 1957.) |


| PLACE | LEVELS | COURT ACTION | COMPIENTS |
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| Houston | A11 | Benjamin, et al. v. Houston Independent School District. On October 15, 1957 Court ordered desegregation "with all dellberate speed." | Orier held certain Texas segregation laws unconstitutional. Cf. Dallas comments. |
|  |  | VIROLMIA |  |
| Prince Edward County | A11 | Davis v. Prince Edward <br> County School Board, one <br> of the original cases decided in 1954. On remand, three-judge court of original jurisdiction and district judge found for plaintiffs, but set no time limit. Similar ruling by District Court. In September 1957, NAACP fyled a brief saying that the Judge had erred in failing to set a deadline. | State has polify of resistance and antiintegration legislation. Court orders for integration in Norfolk, Newport News, Arlington and Charlottesville (q.v.) were appealed. |



## ARKAMSAS

Southern School Navs, Octobor 1957, page 5 states: At Pine Bluff, where the school board has the announced policy of beginning integration at the firat grade level in September 1958, the White Citizens Council is circulating petitions requesting that segregated schools be maintained.

Special Hote: The follouing schools have desegregated as a matter of Board policy but court orders are involved.

In Hoxde, Arkansas, the local school board began integration in 1955 but net with local resistance. Suit was brought by the Board to prevent interference. The United States joined as andeus curiae. In ootober 1956
the Court of Appeals uphold the District Court which had enjoined the interference and stated that the Board was authorized and required by the Fourteenth Amendment to proceed with integration. Integration proceeding quietly in fall term 1957.

In Wichita Falls, Texas, Negro children brought suit for admission to the schools. The district court found that a good faith start toward desegregation had been made by the Board and disamissed the action as moot. The Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, January 1957, held that the district court should have retained jurisdiction of the case to supervise the implementation of the desegregation plans. The case was reversed and remanded. The Supreme Court rejected an appeal by the School Board. The Wichita Falls schools are listed as desegregated.
VI. COURT ORDERS EPFECTING ADMISSION OF NEGROES TO STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES


#### Abstract

ALAB AMA Lucy v. Adams. February 29, 1956 the Court ordered the readaission of Miss Lucy to the University of Alabama. (Prior to the readmission of the plaintiff, the University Board of Trustees permanently expelied her.) May 1956 the Supreme Court refused to review, thus leaving doors open to qualified Negroes.


## LOUISIANA

Arnease Ludiey v. LSU; Jack Bafley v. McNeese College;
Alma Lark V. Southeastern Louisiana College; virdie St. Julien v. . Southvestern Louisiana Institute, all obtained permanentinjunctions against use of "certificate law." Act 15 of 1956 and companion Act 249, to deny them admittance. Both lavs heid invalid.

## NORTH CAROLINA

Frasier v. UNC trustees, three-judge federal court ordered Negro applicants processed; Negroes entered, SCf. denied appeal.

## TENNESSEE

Booker v. State Board of Education, Memphis State College case in which stair step desegregation of colleges was approved by district court, reversed on appeal. Supreme Court upheld reversal. Final action now up to District Court.

## TEXAS

Atkins $v$. Matthews, North Texas State College ordered to desegregate. White $v$. Smith, Texas Western College ordered to desegregate. Whitmore v. Stillwell, Texarkana Junior College ordered to desegregate.

# VII. PENDING MATTERS <br> (Selected List) 

## ALAB AMA

Nine Negro fanilies have petitioned the Birminghan Board of Education requesting specific assignments of their children to specific white schools near their respective homes. The Board has been authorized to investigate the appiications but no action is expected during this fall term. A Negro ninister attempting unsuccessfully to enroll his daughters in a white school was beaten by a group of white men. This petition alay well develop into a court test of the State placenent 1 aws.

## DELAWARE

Although Dover schools are partially integrated, the NAACP has filed suit to accelerate the progran.

## FLORIDA

Southern School News, October 1957, page 11:
The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals turned down a petition to rehear the 1956 Fiorida suit seeking school integration (Gibson et al $v$. Board of Public Instruction of Dade County.) Eariier, the court reversed the dismissal of the suit by District Judge Emmett C. Choate and remanded the case for trial.
G.B. Graves, Jr., NAACP attorney, said the legal skirmishing was at an end and the ectual issues now are to be decided.

Judge Choate has set no date for the trial, however, as the school board is considering an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Graves predicted that such "delay and subterfuge" might prompt the U.S. Suprone Court to "arbitrarily order integration."

Southern School News, September 1957, page 8:
The Palm Beach case (Holland v. Board of Public Instruction of Palm Beach County) is atest of the state's pupil assignment law. District Judge Eumett C. Choate ruled there was no evidence William Holland, Jr., was assigned to a Negro school on the basis of race. The decision is being appealed.

In the third protracted legal action, Virgil Hawkins, Daytona Beach Negro, sued to enter the University of Florida law schoo1. The U.S. Supreme Court ordered his admission but the Florida Supreme Court refused to comply. Hawkins asked the U.S. Supreme Court to circumvent the state court by issuing its mandate directly to the State Board of Control. The Supreme Court refused to review but suggested Havkins take his case to the Federal District Court.

## GEORGIA

Southern School News, Sugy 1957, page 2 :
The state again asked dismissal of the case of Barbara Hunt et al v. Robert 0. Arnold et al. In this suit, four Negroes
are seeking admission to the white Georgia State College of Business Administration. Filed June 15, 1956, the litigation attacked the rule of the State Board of Regents requiring entrance applications to be signed by two alumni. Atty, Gen. Cook defended the entrance requirements as "valid and lawful administrative zegulations adopted in good faith, and reasonably calculated to improve the quality of students admitted..."He also charged that the Negroes did not present formal applications for admission to the colleges.

## Southern School News, July 1957, page 9:

In the other higher education desegregation suit in Georgia, Horace Ward, an Atlanta Negro, dropped his attempts to get into the University of Georgia law school. Attorney A. T. Walden said Ward had given up, at least for the present, efforts to transfer from Northwestern University lav school where he is now a student. Ward lost his seven-year fight for adaission in February when U.S. District Judge Frank Hooper dismissed the suit and refused to retain jurisdiction.

## LOUISIANA

Southern School News, September 1957, page 8:
Federal court action on two suits against school districts (Hall v. St. Helena Parish School Board and Davis v. East Baton Rouge Parish School Board) is being deferred until the precedent Which the Orleans suit will establish is complete. (Cf. Bush $v$. Orleans under IV, Louisiana.)

## NORTH CAROLINA

Southern Schoo1 News, October 1957, page 8.
Action has been brought by the parents of Joseph Holt, Jr., the only Negro to apply to the Raleigh board for reassignment to a white school. Young Holt was turned down.

In the federal district court, Holt seeks immediate admission to the white high school, Needham Broughton, and a permanent injunction against the city school board to end segregation in Raleigh schools. An answer to Holt's suit is expected in October 1957.

## Covington v. Montgomery County.

An action was brought againgt officials of the Montgomery County, North Carolina, public schools in federal district court sceking adaission of Negroes to public schools without regard to race or color. The single-judge court held that the decision of the United States Suprege coutt in the SEHOOL SSAGREGATIOR CASES had already rendered state constitutions and statutes requiring racial segregation in public schools unconstitutional, so that a requisite of jurisdiction for a three-judge court was absent. The case was set down for hearing on the merits by the singlejudge court. No further information.

## TENNESSEB

Southern School News, Juiy 1957, page 2:

[^0]District Court Junc 28 in reply to a school integration suit that "speed and complete desegregation should not be attempted in Knoxvilie."

The board, however, said in a brief that it has made a "prompt and reasonable start toward the solution of these problems" in "complete good faith" with the U.S. Suprene Court's 1954 segregation rulings."

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Southern Schoo1 News, October 1957, page 7:
On September 14 a suit attacking the constitutionality of the pupil placement law was filed in U.S. District Court in Richmond on behalf of 103 Negro children and their parents or guardians. (tililiam C. Calloway, Jr.,et al V. Andrew A. Farley, et al. Farley is a member of the three-man Pupil piacement Board, all members of which are defendants in the suit, along with the Richmond school board and superintendent.)

On September 17, after hearing arguments in the case, Judge Hutcheson granted en order temporarily restraining the enforcement of the pupil placement law in Richnond. Negro pupils who had been denied admission because of failure to present placement forms inmediately returned to school.

The threc newest cases attacking the pupil placement law were filed September 25 and 26 in the U.S. District Court at Norfolk (Malden, et al $\vee$. Farley, et al. Estes, et al v. Farley, et al and Jordan v. Fariey).

On September 29, Judge Hoffman granted a temporary injunction restraining enforcement of the pupil placement act in Norfolk and Nansemond County. He said if he did not, he would be reversing his previous opinion that the act is invalid.

The Case of DeFebio v. School Board of Fairfax County also testing the state pupil placement act, is pending before the State Supreme Court.


[^0]:    "The city school board in Knoxvilie told the U.S.

