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Martha Lum (1915-?)

b. Bolivar County, Mississippi Gong Lum v. Rice (1927)

Do You Know? Martha Lum was only nine years old when her case went to court.

What: Martha Lum's family sued the Board of Trustees after their daughter was told she could not attend an all-white public school.

Decision: The Supreme Court unanimously ruled in favor of the Board of Trustees, stating that there were colored schools where Martha Lum could attend.

Today: All children regardless of ethnic background are able to attend any school they wish.