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**Fred Yoshihiro Oyama** (1924-?)

b. Chula Vista, California

*Oyama v. State of California* (1948)

**Do You Know?** At age six, Fred Oyama owned eight acres of land.

**What:** California sued the Oyama family to take back the acres of land that the father had bought under Fred's name.

**Decision:** The Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Oyama family, declaring the state violated Oyama's constitutional rights when they seized his family's farm during World War II.

**Today:** Every person can purchase and own property or land, regardless of ethnicity.