

The File

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Louisiana Trade School Case
(Angel v. Louisiana Board of
Education, C.A. No. 1658)

Attorney Leo McDaniel of Lake Charles, Louisiana, phoned us today to say that nine Negro children had presented themselves at the Sowell Trade School this morning to apply for admission. They were told by an unidentified person that a member (unidentified) of the faculty was ill and, therefore, their applications could not be accepted.

Mr. McDaniel said that Mondays and Tuesdays are designated as registration days and that these nine children will present themselves again tomorrow. He understands, but cannot verify, that white children were enrolled today and states also that he understands four white children who previously applied in the recent past have been accepted.

He will telephone tomorrow and tell us the results of the attempted applications. He will get the names of all nine children and get affidavits from them if we request. I relayed this conversation to Mr. Heilbron and he stated it might be a good idea to inform Judge West of this development which I believe he intends to do.

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