

Rachel, a woman of color v. William Walker
Missouri Supreme Court, 1836

Use the following words to fill in the blanks.

Ordinance	Walker	free
freedom	outlawed	Army
Supreme	agreed	slavery
Stockton	territory	Northwest
Settlers	Circuit	Ohio

1. Rachel sued William _____ for _____ from slavery in 1834.
2. Rachel had lived in the _____ Territory with the family of a U.S. Army officer named _____.
3. Slavery was _____ in this territory because of the 1787 Northwest _____.
4. The Northwest Ordinance allowed _____ into the land northwest of the _____ River, but forbade _____.
5. Rachel sued for freedom based on the “once _____, always free” Missouri Supreme Court precedent set in 1824.
6. The St. Louis _____ Court denied Rachel her freedom.
7. The circuit court said that since Stockton was in the U.S. _____, he could not choose where to live. It was not his choice to take Rachel to a free _____.
8. Rachel appealed to the Missouri _____ Court in 1836. The judges _____ with her claim to freedom.