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## Tinker v. Des Moines / How the Case Moved Through the Court System

## **Supreme Court of the United States**

The Court ruled in favor of the students, declaring that the armband protest was protected by the First Amendment right of free speech.

Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District (1969)







## U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

The Court of Appeals was equally divided in the case, so the District Court's decision for the school district stood.

Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District (1967)







## **U.S. District Court**

The District Court sided with the school officials, declaring that the regulation against armbands was reasonable in order to prevent disturbances in the school.

Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District (1966)