The U.S. Senate confirmed Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson to the U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday in a vote that underscored the splintered nature of the political divide in Washington.

Jackson, 51, becomes the first Black woman and only the third woman to serve on the court since its establishment 233 years ago, and will fill the seat vacated by the retirement of Justice Stephen Breyer.

Jackson’s confirmation follows a historic presidential selection in which President Joe Biden nominated the first Black judge to the nation’s top court.

The vote was 53-47, with all 50 Democrats voting for Jackson and 47 Republicans voting against, including one Republican who did not vote.

Jackson was confirmed after a bitter battle that lasted more than a year, with senators on both sides of the aisle expressing concerns about her qualifications and her role in the court’s liberal wing.

Biden had nominated Jackson, a federal appeals court judge from New York, in May 2021, but her confirmation process was derailed by Senate Republicans who argued that she was unqualified and would not be fair-minded.

But with the retirement of Breyer, who had served on the court since 1994, Democrats had the opportunity to press their Democrat-led Senate to confirm Jackson, who had been vetted by the Judiciary Committee.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.

But Democrats argued that Jackson was a qualified and experienced jurist who would bring a much-needed diversity to the court.

Jackson has served as a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and as a judge on the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

After her nomination, Jackson faced a series of hearings and votes on whether she should be confirmed.

Democrats argued that she should be confirmed, but Republicans opposed her nomination, saying she had not had enough judicial experience.

But in the end, the Senate voted in favor of Jackson’s confirmation, with the support of two Republican senators, along with all 50 Democrats.

Jackson’s confirmation was a historic moment for the court, which has been largely white and male for decades.

But with Jackson’s confirmation, the court has a new female justice, and a new Black woman, which is expected to have a significant impact on the court’s decisions.

Jackson is expected to be a key player on the court, with the potential to influence decisions on a range of issues, including constitutional law, immigration, and civil rights.

The confirmation was a victory for Biden, who had made diversity a key part of his campaign, and for Democrats, who had promised to bring more women and minorities to the court.

But the confirmation also highlighted the deep divisions in American society, with many Republicans opposing Jackson’s nomination on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she would not be fair-minded.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.

But in the end, the Senate voted in favor of Jackson’s confirmation, with the support of two Republican senators, along with all 50 Democrats.

Jackson’s confirmation was a historic moment for the court, which has been largely white and male for decades.

But with Jackson’s confirmation, the court has a new female justice, and a new Black woman, which is expected to have a significant impact on the court’s decisions.

Jackson is expected to be a key player on the court, with the potential to influence decisions on a range of issues, including constitutional law, immigration, and civil rights.

The confirmation was a victory for Biden, who had made diversity a key part of his campaign, and for Democrats, who had promised to bring more women and minorities to the court.

But the confirmation also highlighted the deep divisions in American society, with many Republicans opposing Jackson’s nomination on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she would not be fair-minded.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.

But in the end, the Senate voted in favor of Jackson’s confirmation, with the support of two Republican senators, along with all 50 Democrats.

Jackson’s confirmation was a historic moment for the court, which has been largely white and male for decades.

But with Jackson’s confirmation, the court has a new female justice, and a new Black woman, which is expected to have a significant impact on the court’s decisions.

Jackson is expected to be a key player on the court, with the potential to influence decisions on a range of issues, including constitutional law, immigration, and civil rights.

The confirmation was a victory for Biden, who had made diversity a key part of his campaign, and for Democrats, who had promised to bring more women and minorities to the court.

But the confirmation also highlighted the deep divisions in American society, with many Republicans opposing Jackson’s nomination on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she would not be fair-minded.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.

But in the end, the Senate voted in favor of Jackson’s confirmation, with the support of two Republican senators, along with all 50 Democrats.

Jackson’s confirmation was a historic moment for the court, which has been largely white and male for decades.

But with Jackson’s confirmation, the court has a new female justice, and a new Black woman, which is expected to have a significant impact on the court’s decisions.

Jackson is expected to be a key player on the court, with the potential to influence decisions on a range of issues, including constitutional law, immigration, and civil rights.

The confirmation was a victory for Biden, who had made diversity a key part of his campaign, and for Democrats, who had promised to bring more women and minorities to the court.

But the confirmation also highlighted the deep divisions in American society, with many Republicans opposing Jackson’s nomination on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she would not be fair-minded.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.

But in the end, the Senate voted in favor of Jackson’s confirmation, with the support of two Republican senators, along with all 50 Democrats.

Jackson’s confirmation was a historic moment for the court, which has been largely white and male for decades.

But with Jackson’s confirmation, the court has a new female justice, and a new Black woman, which is expected to have a significant impact on the court’s decisions.

Jackson is expected to be a key player on the court, with the potential to influence decisions on a range of issues, including constitutional law, immigration, and civil rights.

The confirmation was a victory for Biden, who had made diversity a key part of his campaign, and for Democrats, who had promised to bring more women and minorities to the court.

But the confirmation also highlighted the deep divisions in American society, with many Republicans opposing Jackson’s nomination on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she would not be fair-minded.

The confirmation process was marked by intense partisan division, with Republicans opposing Jackson on the grounds that she was too liberal and that she had not had enough judicial experience.
American Indian College Fund’s EATSS Fundraiser

BY NATIVE NEWS ONLINE STAFF MARCH 31, 2022

The American Indian College Fund is bringing back its Epicurean Award to Support Scholars (EATSS) fundraising event on May 20, 2022, in New York City. The evening will feature four renowned Indigenous chefs who will prepare some of their favorite recipes.

The Indigenous chefs will have the opportunity to meet and sample dishes prepared by the chefs. The four Indigenous chefs are: Chef Stephanie “Pyet” DeSpain, Chef Crystal Wahpepah, Chef Elena Terry, and Chef Freddie Bitsoie. (Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation) is a Native American and Mexican American award-winning private chef and the first winning private chef and the first James Beard Award finalist for Emerg

Death Ruled Accidental

Traverse County Sheriff’s Office
Updated Press Release Accidental Death

The Traverse County Medical Examiner’s Office has identified the individual involved in the April 5, 2022, incident investigated by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension as Benjaman Eagle. The investigation by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office has resulted in a determination of death. The Ramsey County Medical Examiner’s Office has identified the individual involved in the April 5, 2022, incident investigated by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension as Benjaman Eagle. The investigation by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office has resulted in a determination of death.

The Ramsey County Medical Examiner’s Office has identified the individual involved in the April 5, 2022, incident investigated by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension as Benjaman Eagle. The investigation by the Traverse County Sheriff’s Office has resulted in a determination of death.

GET RID OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS TO PREVENT POISONING & OVERDOSE RISK

Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate’s Tribal Opioid Response Project (TOR) is promoting the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, which is taking place Saturday, April 30. The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the public about the potential for abuse of medications.

TOR would like you to keep in mind that any unwanted medications should be disposed of properly and NEVER flushed down the toilet. It will contaminate the water supply.

The drop box at Woodrow Wilson Keeble Memorial Health Care Center pharmacy waiting room is available EVERY DAY during Pharmacy hours, as well as at Lewis Drug Store, and in the waiting room of Coteau Des Prairies. Medication in any container is accepted at each drop box. For more information about medication drop off, you may call TOR at 605-742-3909 or at 605-742-6553.

Please refer to TOR’s flyer for more information. TOR thanks you for your consideration.

Wovida Owicyakii Kte

“Helping one another with compassion”

SWO One-Stop Homeownership Program

Assisting Services
Assessment
Site Selection

Financializing Options & Loan Packaging

Financial Management & Credit Counseling

Default Counseling & Foreclosure Intervention

Home Repair & Rehab Financing Options

Homebuyers Education Class for Certification

If interested, please contact:
Angie Johnson, Administrator/Coordinator
(605) 698-3901, Extension 21
angeline@venturecomm.net

South Dakota

has an executive career opportunity for a high-performing and strategically-minded

Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

As a member of the executive team, the CFO must be committed to a leadership and supervisory role and have the ability to clearly communicate across all levels of the organization.

The ideal candidate would have...

• A degree or higher in Accounting or Business Administration with 10 years of experience

• A CPI is highly desirable

• Understanding of nonprofit accounting, lending, and the OMB Uniform Guidance is required

The CFO position is located in our Sisseton, SD, office and would report directly to the CEO.

GROW South Dakota offers a competitive compensation and benefits package and a stable work environment.

Send application and resume to Grow South Dakota, 164 Ash Street East, Sisseton, SD, 57262 or info@growsd.org. Job description and application can be found at www.growsd.org.

GROW SD is an equal opportunity employer.

American Indian College Fund’s EATSS Fundraiser

Wednesday, April 13, 2022
Interior to reverse key Indian Affairs policy from 1975

Interior Secretary Deb Haaland on Thursday announced she will reverse a 1975 policy giving the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) authority over tribal water systems. In the 1975 memo, then-Secretary Rogers Morton gave Bureau of Indian Affairs superintendents and local authorities veto power over any new or existing codes or ordinances regulating tribal water use. In the announcement, Haaland described the memo as an unncessary extra procedural hurdle that has created decades of confusion in relation to tribes and the federal government.

The majority of tribal constituations include no requirement for departmental approval, and those that do still have the option to amend them to remove these requirements. “If we are to truly support Tribal Nations, we need to listen to and review and correct actions of the past and respect current and ongoing interests of Tribal nations. The ‘Morton memo’ is an unacceptable action that the Department’s commitment to upholding Tribal self-determination and the federal trust responsibility to support Tribal sovereignty, “Haaland said in a statement. “Today’s action underscores our efforts to move forward in this new era.”

Haaland, the first Native American Cabinet secretary, has taken a number of actions since her confirmation to enhance tribal sovereignty and address the history of U.S.-Tribal relations. In February, she announced the agency would cease funding from the bipartisan American Rescue Plan Act. But after children were done, we got to play and we did.

This 1959, which I call a playbook, has had so much of tribal members make their journey to the Star of Hope For the past 7 years, this disease has affected every family on the Lakes. So many, so many, so many families that live in other areas of our nation and is no to get to that facility it was built out near IHS clinics in fami ties in quarantine were near available health services.

"What I’m thinking is that if we have a winter like my grandpa was talking about? Personally think not, in my mind the past two winters were what I call speculative in that it fluctuated more than a single season my thoughts. As the saying goes this over snowfall plan.

Life is short, so enjoy your family and friends. Live, Laugh and Love. Sending a smile, until next time!

IHS transfers all health care services to Oyate Health Center in Rapid City

Health care provided by the IHS Rapid City Service Unit at San Hospital was transferred Friday to the Oyate Health Center in Rapid City by the Great Plains Tribal Leaders Health Board.

“We welcome this opportunity to partner with the tribal council and the Rapid City Service Unit to provide tribal program operations on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Cheyenne River Oyate Area, the IHS Great Plains Area Service Unit,” said IHS Acting Deputy Director Elizabeth Brinkner said in a press release. The Rapid City Service Unit primarily serves the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, the Oyate Area, the Sisseton-Watonwic Sioux Tribe and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe. In 2019, IHS and the Oyate Health Center Board entered into an agreement for the transfer of the Rapid City Service Unit. Board of the IHS.

Patients who require care beyond the capabilities of the Rapid City Service Unit will be referred to providers off-reservation.

“IHS will continue to work with the Rosebud Sioux Tribe to provide a seamless transition for all patients,” said Brinkner.

Stota Yea Yagi Yapi Official newspaper of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lakeland Traverse Reservation since 1968

Betty Jo Kirk Editor

Corporation for Native Broadcasting

Notice to Contributors: Submit news and advertising copy, as well as subscription orders, to:

CNB/SOTA Box 807, Sisseton, SD 57262 or e-mail to: susan@ventureres.com

Deadline for receipt of all copy to be considered for publication is 4 PM on Friday prior to the week of publication.

Policy regarding open letters to the Oyate is clearly spelled out and included in the paper.

Views expressed are those of the authors and do not reflect opinions of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribe of the Lakeland Traverse Reservation.

Copyright Disclaimer: Under Section 107 of the Copyright Act, it is permissible for fair use for purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching, scholarship, and research. Fair use is a use permitted by copyright statute that might otherwise infringe.

Non-profit, educational or personal use tips the balance in favor of fair use.

Official newspaper of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribe of the Lakeland Traverse Reservation

The Sota Yea Yagi Yapi sometimes includes copyrighted material – primarily in guest editorials – the use of which has been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. This material is made available in an effort to advance readers’ understanding of environmental, human rights, social justice, economic, political issues, etc. This material is a “fair use” of such copyrighted material as provided for in section 107 of U.S. Copyright Law. For more information go to: http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/107/107.html
Benjamin Lee Eagle
October 26, 1923 - April 3, 2022
In memory of Benjamin Lee Eagle, United States Marine Corps, World War II Veteran, husband of Wilma Teach, father of Sonja, Daniel, Keith, and Benjamin, grandfather of Michael, Amanda, and Kayla, great-grandfather of six.
Bend, OR
2:00 PM, April 16, 2022

Oakley Robert Seaby
March 16, 2022 - April 30, 2022
In memory of Oakley Robert Seaby, 20 days old, son of Marcus and Kimberly Seaby, of Acoma, New Mexico.
Acoma, NM
Saturday, April 2, 2022
10:00 AM

Mona Yawen Arden
April 19, 1992 - April 5, 2022
In memory of Mona Yawen Arden, 30 years old, who passed away tragically on April 5, 2022.
Acoma, NM
Wednesday, April 6, 2022
10:00 AM

Roselyn Tso
March 16, 1970 - March 29, 2022
In memory of Roselyn Tso, 52 years old, and her son Oakley Robert Seaby.
Acoma, NM
Saturday, April 2, 2022
10:00 AM
The signs of the workforce shortage in South Dakota are as omnipresent as they are ominous. There are no signs of a recovery. There are no signs of a recovery. The city is in desperate need of workers. The city is in desperate need of workers. Only one in six businesses are open due to the pandemic. Only one in six businesses are open due to the pandemic. A recent report by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America indicates that child care providers are struggling to attract and retain workers. A recent report by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America indicates that child care providers are struggling to attract and retain workers.

Spectacular PART 1: Child care crisis in S.D.

South Dakota is in the midst of a child care crisis. South Dakota is in the midst of a child care crisis. The lack of affordable, reliable and accessible child care is a major issue in the state. The lack of affordable, reliable and accessible child care is a major issue in the state.

High School Principal:

- Certified Teacher: $35,000 Signing Bonus
- Intervention Teachers: $25,000 Signing Bonus
- Middle School: Open until filled
- Elementary: Open until filled
- Occupational: Open until filled
- Cook: Open until filled

**Job Opening(s)**

**Dakota Sioux Casino & Hotel is seeking to fill the following employment position(s):**

### Sportsbook:

**Shift Supervisor (2 Full-Time, Days/Swings/Graves/Weekends/Holidays)**

**General Function**: Supervision of the sport book operations during assigned shift but not limited to attracting or diverting customers from games, scheduling of staff, and ensuring compliance.

**Requirements**: High school diploma or GED. Knowledge of computers and relevant software applications. Knowledge of casino operation and casino rules. Excellent written and verbal communication skills. Excellent telephone communication skills. Professional appearance and customer service experience. Must have a valid driver’s license.

**Physical demands**: Must have the ability to perform basic housekeeping duties of the reception area. Must have the ability to maintain positive relations with co-workers.

**General Function**: Participate in the development and implementation of procedures (i.e. Personnel Policies, SOP’s, IC’s). General knowledge of sports teams and games. Must have cash handling experience. Knowledge of accounting and administrative procedures. Must possess mathematical ability (addition and subtraction) to accurately pay and collect funds for guests.

**Employer matches up to 7% in 401K.**

**Note**: Must have a valid driver’s license. Must be over 21 years old. Must be of legal age to work in the casino. Must be able to work weekends. Must be able to stand for extended periods of time.

**Contact Jennifer Williams - jwilliams@dakotaisoux.com for further qualifications required.**
**Job Opening(s)**

**Dakota Sioux Casino & Hotel is seeking to fill the following employment position(s):**

**Security: Officer (Full-Time, Day/Swing/Grave/Weekends/Holidays)**
*General Function: Protect company assets and provide a safe environment for guests and team members. Must be able to work irregular hours and/or days and be dependable and punctual. Must obtain a Key Gaming License upon hire.*

**Requirements:**
- High school diploma or G.E.D.
- Computer comfort.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to work with a diverse population.
- Ability to handle stressful situations and/or people.
- Must be able to lift and/or carry 50 lbs.
- Must be willing to work away from home.
- Must be willing to work for 12 consecutive hours.

**Dispatcher / Communication Officer (1 Full-Time, Day/Swing/Grave/Weekends)**
*General Function: Monitor and records incoming radio logs. Maintains files, correspondence, and other duties as assigned. Must obtain a Key Gaming License upon hire.*

**Contact the Human Resources Department for a complete job description at 605-884-1652 Or stop by in-person to complete an employment application**

---

**Job Opening(s)**

**Dakota Sioux Casino & Hotel is seeking to fill the following employment position(s):**

**Porter: (Full-Time, Swing/Grave/Weekends/Holidays)**
*General Function: Serve as janitorial/housekeeping staff for guest and casino operations. Must be able to work irregular hours. Must obtain a non-gaming license upon hire.*

**Requirements:**
- High school diploma or G.E.D.
- Clean criminal history.
- Good attendance record.
- Must be willing to work away from home.
- Must be able to lift and/or carry 50 lbs.

**Contact the Human Resources Department for a complete job description at 605-884-1652 Or stop by in-person to complete an employment application**

---

**Job Opening(s)**

**Dakota Sioux Casino & Hotel is seeking to fill the following employment position(s):**

**Table Games:**
*General Function: Deal the assigned game in accordance with all applicable policies and procedure as stated in the Dakota Sioux Casino Dealer Manual. Must be able to work any/shifts. Must be willing to work 10 hours if needed. Must be able to stand for long periods of time (1 to 2 hours at a time). Must demonstrate excellent attendance practices. Must obtain a Key Gaming License.*

**Contact the Human Resources Department for a complete job description at 605-884-1652 Or stop by in-person to complete an employment application**

**Lounge: (Server) (1 Full-Time, Swing/Grave/Weekends/Holidays)**
*General Function: Act as a host/hostess for all lounge and casino guests. Must be able to work any/shifts. Must be willing to work 10 hours if needed. Must be able to stand for long periods of time (1 to 2 hours at a time). Must demonstrate excellent attendance practices. Must obtain a Key Gaming License.*

**Contact the Human Resources Department for a complete job description at 605-884-1652 Or stop by in-person to complete an employment application**

---

**Day/Shift, Weekends/Holidays:**
*General Function: Clerks, buss, host, seat, server, elevator, stairway, and staircases according to standards. Requirements: One to three months related experience. Able to lift or move 25 lbs. Follows procedures. Customer courtesy a must. Must obtain a non-gaming license upon hire.*

**Contact the Human Resources Department for a complete job description at 605-884-1652 Or stop by in-person to complete an employment application**
French Priest Charged With Sexual Assault in Canada

BY JENNIFER KUNZE
APRIL 06, 2022

French national Jean-Marc Rivoire, age 53, a former priest in Canada’s residential school system, was charged in Canada with sexual assault today.

“In September 2021, the Nunavut Royal Canadian Mounted Police received a complaint of sexual assault that occurred approximately 47 years ago,” Nunavut Royal Canadian Mounted Police spokesperson wrote in an email to Nunatsiaq News today. “As a result of the investigation, on February 23, 2022, Father Jean-Marc Rivoire, age 53, of Lyon, France was charged with sexual assault. A Canada-wide warrant has been issued for the arrest of Father Rivoire.”

Rivoire returned to France in the early 1970s. According to one report, Rivoire traveled in many Native communities in the 1970s, before returning to France. France does not extradite its own citizens.

Sisseton Wahpeton College

SWC Student Senate for 2021-2022
Agency Village, SD Each year SWC has its student body vote for student congress. In 2020-2021 due to COVID19 pandemic, a student congress was not held. This year, the student congress was held in person.

"In September 2021, Nunavut Royal Canadian Mounted Police issued a warrant to bring Jean-Marc Rivoire back to Canada to face charges of sexual assault. We wish to be extradited to Canada to face charges of sexual abuse," said Jean-Marc Rivoire.

According to the Nunavut Public Prosecution Service of Canada, concluded that there was no longer a reasonable expectation of conviction regarding the charges and “continuing the prosecution was no longer in the public interest.”

Last week, President of the Inupiat Nunavut, Nathan Obol, traveled to Italy to meet with the Pope as part of a reconciliation process from the legacy of boarding schools. Pope Francis issued a lengthy apology at the end of the week-long ceremonies.

Obol said that the apology was part of a larger picture, and that the Indigenous delegation was also in Rome to advocate for the extradition of Rivoire back to Canada. In 2010, the Vatican worked with the Canadian government to explore the possibility of the Pope meeting with the Nunavut Royal Canadian Mounted Police issued a warrant to bring Jean-Marc Rivoire back to Canada to face charges of sexual assault.

In 2020-2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a student congress was held in person. Each year SWC has its student body vote for student congress. In 2020-2021 due to COVID19 pandemic, a student congress was not held. This year, the student congress was held in person.

Oklahoma Governor Faces Pushback from Native Americans for “Indian Card”

The McGirt Decision was an historic decision for American Indian women. In 2000, McGirt v. Oklahoma decision, where McGirt, age 72, was later convicted and sentenced by the U.S. District Court of Criminal Jurisdiction for2000 for two counts of Aggravated Sexual Abuse In Indian Country, and one count of Alleged Sexual Contact in Indian Country. The McGirt Decision was an historic decision for American Indian women. In 2000, McGirt v. Oklahoma decision, where McGirt, age 72, was later convicted and sentenced by the U.S. District Court of Criminal Jurisdiction for2000 for two counts of Aggravated Sexual Abuse In Indian Country, and one count of Alleged Sexual Contact in Indian Country. The McGirt Decision was an historic decision for American Indian women. In 2000, McGirt v. Oklahoma decision, where McGirt, age 72, was later convicted and sentenced by the U.S. District Court of Criminal Jurisdiction for2000 for two counts of Aggravated Sexual Abuse In Indian Country, and one count of Alleged Sexual Contact in Indian Country.
Descendants Ask for their Artifacts Back

BY JENNA KUNZE
APRIL 07, 2022

The story of the artifac is the process of returning the Wounded Knee collection, and to make plans for how to begin repatriation. Among them were Chief Henry Red Cloud of the Oglala Lakota Nation. Manny Iron Hawk and Renee Iron Hawk flew from South Dakota to speak with Barre Museum board members and begin the process of repatriation.

The Barre Museum is open three times a year, by appointment only. Call 978-355-2289 to schedule an appointment.

Editor’s Note: Barre has a little known place in American history. It was a home of Quaker Walker, an escaped slave who in 1783 got his former owner convicted of assault after the judge ruled that slavery violated the state constitution’s guarantee of the right to liberty. It was one of two court cases in the 1780s that effectively ended slavery in Massachusetts.