

**Race and the Law Seminar, Classroom: Oakes 211
Fall 2025 Monday, 3:35 P.M. - 5:10 P.M.**

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- 1) **Reading Assignment in case book: Juan Perea et al., *Race and Races: Cases and Resources for a Diverse America*, 4th ed. (2023).**

For the first class, scheduled for August 25, 2025, please read pages 1-19, 32-35, 47-65 and 71-88

- Case: *Perkins v. Lake County Department of Utilities*, 860 F. Supp. 1262 (N.D. Ohio 1994) pp. 7-19
We will focus on *Perkins v. Lake County*. **Please be prepared to answer the following question. (See below) We will also focus on the classroom exercise on pages 32-35.**
1. This case raises many questions about the racial labels that are assigned in this society, and how they ought to be assigned in an anti-racist context. Can you make a decision about race without examining racism?