

Plyler v. Doe

Case: *Plyler v. Doe*

Decision date: June 15, 1982

Citation: 457 U.S. 202 (1982)

Issue: Whether Texas could deny free public K–12 education to children who were undocumented immigrants.

Holding: The Court ruled 5–4 that Texas could not deny those children access to public education on that basis.

Related Supreme Court Proceedings

Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, et al. v. Barbara, et al.

No. 25-365

The Supreme Court granted certiorari before judgment on December 5, 2025. The case was argued on April 1, 2026, and decided on June 30, 2026. The case concerned the constitutional meaning of birthright citizenship under the Fourteenth Amendment and did not overrule *Plyler v. Doe*.

Request for Further Review

Due to wartime, national security, modern conflict, and crimes against humanity harms affecting the American public, we respectfully ask the Court to grant certiorari and determine, as we have, that developments in federal immigration law, national security circumstances, and the government’s constitutional wartime authorities provide a basis for revisiting the application or scope of Plyler v. Doe.

Sources

1. U.S. Supreme Court — *Plyler v. Doe*, 457 U.S. 202 (1982)

Decided June 15, 1982. The case concerned Texas’s denial of public K–12 education to children who were not legally admitted into the United States. ([Legal Information Institute](#))

*[Supreme Court decision — *Plyler v. Doe*](#)*

2. U.S. Supreme Court — *Trump v. Barbara*, No. 25-365

The Supreme Court docket records that a petition for certiorari before judgment was filed September 26, 2025, certiorari was granted December 5, 2025, the case was argued April 1, 2026, and judgment was entered June 30, 2026. ([Supreme Court](#))

[Supreme Court docket — No. 25-365](#)

3. Supreme Court — *Trump v. Barbara*, 2026 opinion

The Supreme Court’s official search identifies the June 30, 2026 opinion for No. 25-365. ([Supreme Court](#))

*[Supreme Court opinion — *Trump v. Barbara*](#)*