Join us to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the 1868 landmark case, *Clark v. Board of Directors*, in which the Iowa Supreme Court ruled that Susan Clark could not be denied admission to a public school based on her race. The decision declared “separate but equal” unconstitutional in Iowa 86 years before *Brown v. Board of Education*.

The *Clark v. Board of Directors* precedent continues to be relevant today and provides an opportunity for rededication to the Iowa constitution’s guarantee of equal protection of the law. The rededication will also recognize Justice Chester C. Cole, author of the *Clark* decision and co-founder, former dean, and long-time faculty member of Drake Law School.
Clark 150 Celebration and Rededication Overview

**Cole Hall Rededication**
Tuesday, Sept. 25
Noon
Cole Hall front lawn, Drake University

Cole Hall, the first building on campus dedicated to the instruction of law, was named after Justice Chester C. Cole, author of the Clark decision and co-founder of Drake Law School. The building will be rededicated with a ceremony and ice cream social.

"The Iowa Constitution: An Enduring Testament to Equality"
Thursday, Sept. 27
Reception at 6 p.m.
Program at 7 p.m.
Hubbell Hall, Kent Campus Center, Simpson College

The event will feature Iowa Supreme Court Chief Justice Mark Cady, University of Iowa law professor Todd Pettys, and journalist and businessman Michael Gartner. Sponsored by the Iowa History Center at Simpson College.

**Clark 150 Conference**
Friday, Sept. 28
Noon-4 p.m.
Cartwright Hall, Drake University

Discussions will cover the historic civil rights decisions of the Iowa Supreme Court, the continuing relevance of Clark, the challenges and consequences of racial disproportionality in the criminal justice system, and quality education today.

**Clark 150 Banquet**
Friday, Sept. 28
Cocktail Reception at 5:15 p.m.
Banquet at 6 p.m.
Drake University

The banquet will include the unveiling of artwork, a documentary short, keynote address, and more. Drake President Marty Martin and Chief Justice Mark Cady will provide remarks.

For more information about this historic case, visit libguides.law.drake.edu/Clark150.

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