

# Scottsboro Boys Questions

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Link to Scottsboro Boys Information:  
<https://www.aclu.org/issues/racial-justice/saga-scottsboro-boys>

1. What was the main focus of the ACLU's "Black Justice" report released in 1931?

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2. What were the Scottsboro Boys accused of, and how did this case highlight the failings of the justice system in the South?

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3. What was the reaction of the South to the Scottsboro case initially, as described by Paul Peters in 1932?

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4. How quickly did the case against the Scottsboro Boys move from arrest to trial?

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5. What was the basis of the indictment against the Scottsboro Boys?

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6. Who were Ruby Bates and Victoria Price, and what role did they play in the Scottsboro case?

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7. What were the initial convictions and sentences for the Scottsboro Boys?

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8. How did the ACLU become involved in the Scottsboro case, and who was Hollace Ransdell?

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9. What contradictions did Ransdell find in the testimonies of Victoria Price and Ruby Bates?

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10. What significant contributions did lawyers like Walter Pollak and Clarence Darrow make to the case?

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11. What were the outcomes of the various appeals and retrials in the Scottsboro case?

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12. What was the final resolution for the Scottsboro Boys, and how did it reflect on the justice system of the time?

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