



Exploring Legal Strategies

State	Action	Ruling	Action	Ruling	Action	Ruling	Status
AK							
CO							
NM							
WA							
MA							

Instructions

1. Write the youths' legal strategies (case or petition) and key ruling to deny or affirm each action.
2. Determine status: ongoing, pending, or over.
3. In teams, go explore other states and fill in as above.
4. Return to your state to answer questions below.

Where did youth start in court? What was the key ruling? Why?

In state where petitions were filed, what did state agencies do? Why?

What are options for youth if court case and/or petition are denied?

Was the Massachusetts legal strategy advantageous? Why or why not?