

“In the eyes of the law... the
slave is not a person.”

Virginia Supreme Court decision, 1858

“An Indian is not a person within the
meaning of the Constitution.”

*George Canfield
American Law Review, 1881*

“The statutory word ‘person’ did not in these
circumstances include women.”

British Voting Rights case, 1909

“The Reichsgericht itself refused to recognize
Jews... as ‘persons’ in the legal sense.”

German Supreme Court decision, 1936

**The law of Canada does not
recognize the unborn child as a
legal person possessing rights.**

*Canadian Supreme Court
Winnipeg Child and Family Services Case, 1997*

**Sometimes the most
important lessons take
the longest to learn.**