



# Fisher v. University of Texas—What it Means for Your Campus

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Firm Event & Webinar

Presented by: GPM's Higher Education Practice Team

**A Breakfast Briefing presented by:  
Gray Plant Mooty's Higher Education Practice Team**

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On June 24, 2013, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its long-awaited decision in the affirmative action case of *Fisher v. The University of Texas*. The Fisher opinion has been called both modest and momentous. The Fisher case did not overturn the ability of colleges and universities to consider race as a factor in student admissions, as some proponents of affirmative action feared that it might. And it did not declare that the University of Texas's admissions policy was unlawful. The Supreme Court did, however, make clear that courts should apply "strict scrutiny" in reviewing affirmative action measures and the Court provided some clarification of what "strict scrutiny" means. In light of the Fisher decision, it's important for colleges and universities to re-examine the way that they consider race as part of the admissions and financial aid award processes and to determine what, if any, changes should be made.

Join us for a breakfast briefing to discuss this important case and practical next steps for your institution.

**Time:**

7:30 — 8:00 a.m. Breakfast / 8:00 — 9:30 a.m. Program

**Location:**

Gray Plant Mooty, 500 IDS Center (5th Floor), 80 South Eighth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402