**Name:**

**Article: *Breaking the Color Line: The Trial that led to the end of legal segregation in Pennsylvania’s schools*, (Todd M. Mealy, Pennsylvania Heritage, Spring 2016)**

Directions: As you read the article, answer the following questions. (Answers do not need to be long, but students should write in complete sentences.)

1. Take notes in the margin as you read the article.
2. What was the Pennsylvania state law that separated schools by race in 1854? (Explain what the law did to reform school districts and what it said about black/white students?)
3. How long was the effort to desegregate Pennsylvania’s schools, and can you identify some of the people who were involved?
4. Who was Elias H. Allen?
5. How was Meadville, PA ground zero for the effort to desegregate Pennsylvania schools?
6. Several court cases are mentioned in this article. Describe each trial. And, why was it important that the issue of school desegregation make it to the State Supreme Court in *Kaine et. al. v the Commonwealth ex rel. Manaway*?

In a paragraph or two (on the back of this paper) answer the following question:

Explain how county and state courts in Pennsylvania desegregated Pennsylvania’s schools in 1881 and 1882? (To help you write your paragraph, you should include information from your answers in the five questions above.)