

Harvard relinquishes photos of enslaved people to descendants, capping 15-year legal struggle



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Boston, May 30 (RHC)-- In the U.S., Harvard University has finally agreed to hand over 175-year-old photographs of an enslaved man and his daughter to a Black history museum in South Carolina as part of a settlement with the descendant of the photos' subjects.

The deal caps a 15-year legal battle between Harvard and Tamara Lanier, whose great-great-great-grandfather Renty is featured in the photos.

Lanier celebrated the long-anticipated resolution, saying: "This pilfered property, images taken without dignity or consent and used to promote a racist psychoscience, will now be repatriated to a home where their stories can be told and their humanity can be restored."

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