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City schools win further delay of suit

Trial of a racial-segregation suit pending against San Diego City Schools since 1967 was postponed yesterday from Oct. 1 to April 1.

The class-action suit was brought by Larry Carlin, a former city teacher, on behalf of his own children and 10 others.

The suit seeks a court order to compel the district to eliminate racial segregation and imbalance in the schools.

Superior Court Judge James Focht granted the postponement request by schools attorney Ralph Stern at a special hearing. The move was opposed by Carlin's attorneys.

The case has been continued on several occasions.

Stern said additional time is needed to prepare the case and that the California Supreme Court has yet to announce a decision on the constitutionality of a ballot initiative approved by voters last November which outlawed bussing.