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Thesis Statement

Slavery has been abolished in America by law but since its abolition, it is still being practiced in various other forms. Those who were slaves in the past are now “supposedly” free but slavery is still being practiced in North America in various other forms.

Body

Initially, black men, women and children were kidnapped from Africa and brought to the southern region of North America to work as slaves on plantations. They were considered inhuman in all aspects. They were treated as chattel and made to work continuously, without any pay or any other benefit, very less food to eat, few hours to sleep and were punished brutally for any small mistake they made or if they tried to escape. Though, all these practices have now been legally eliminated but it still remains in the form of racial discrimination, which is quite apparent in the American Society<sup>1</sup>.

These marginalized groups of people now face the harsh treatment even in the hands of legal systems in America. White policemen are let off for killing a black youth, while a black person is severely punished for a small crime.

There are other racist activities carried out at workplaces, schools and institutions where they are not given equal treatments and are looked down

upon.

### Conclusion

Hence, it can be concluded that the concept slavery and freedom paradox is evident in American Society. The black president of white America, President Obama recently reacting to a comment to a white Coach of Basket Ball Team, said, “ United States continues to wrestle with legacy of race and slavery and segregation. We have made enormous stride but you are going to continue to see this percolate up every so often<sup>2</sup>.” This comment was made recently when the coach showed a discriminatory behavior against the blacks.

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