

The Declaration of Independence Argument

Answer the 3 judicial questions based on the following statement in the Declaration of Independence:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

1. Did Scott have the right to sue?
2. Was Scott free as a result of living in a state and territory where slavery was illegal?
3. Was it constitutional for the Congress to limit slavery in the territories?