

January 1863
Emancipation Proclamation
Issued

1863

April 1865
Less surrenders to Grant, ending
the Civil War

March 1865
Freedmen's Bureau established

December 1865
13th Amendment Ratified

April 1865
Lincoln assassinated

April 1866
Memphis race riot

1865
Black Codes enacted

1867
Reconstruction Acts

1866
Ku Klux Klan founded

1870
Hiram Revels elected as the first
African American Senator

July 1868
14th Amendment ratified

1872
Freedmen's Bureau abolished
(ended)

March 1870
15th Amendment ratified

1877
Reconstruction ends

1875
Civil Rights Acts of 1875

1877