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Enlarging, Extending and Defining the Corporate Limits and Boundaries of City of Clarksdale, Coahoma County v. City of Clarksdale

Supreme Court of Mississippi - January 17, 2019 - So.3d - 2019 WL 244426

City filed annexation petition, and county and neighboring town opposed the petition, with town initiating its own annexation proceeding and property owners petitioning for inclusion in town.

The Chancery Court approved, ratified, and confirmed city's proposed annexation in part, and denied town's and owners' petitions. County appealed and city cross-appealed.

The Supreme Court of Mississippi held that:

- City's need to expand supported partial grant of city's petition;
- City's path of growth supported partial grant of city's petition;
- Septic tank problems supported partial grant of city's petition;
- City's financial stability supported partial grant of city's petition;
- Need for planning and zoning supported partial grant of city's petition;
- Need for municipal services supported partial grant of city's petition; and
- Economic fairness to residents of proposed annexation areas supported partial grant of city's petition.