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City of Miami v. Haigley

District Court of Appeal of Florida, Third District - July 23, 2014 - So.3d - 2014 WL 3610909

Non-resident brought class action suit against city, alleging that city ordinance requiring nonresidents of city to pay \$100 more than residents for use of the city's emergency medical transportation services was an unauthorized tax, violated equal protection, and unconstitutionally impaired intrastate travel. The Circuit Court granted summary judgment in favor of plaintiffs. City appealed.

The District Court of Appeal held that:

- Ordinance was a user fee, not a tax;
- Ordinance did not violate equal protection; and
- Ordinance did not implicate the right to intrastate travel.

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