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EMINENT DOMAIN - ILLINOIS

City of Joliet v. Mid-City National Bank of Chicago

United States District Court, N.D. Illinois, Eastern Division - September 17, 2014 - Not Reported in F.Supp.3d - 2014 WL 4667254

The City of Joliet moved to acquire two large, blighted apartment buildings via eminent domain.

Seven years of litigation, a 100-day trial, and a 19,000 page transcript later...

The District Court found that Joliet had a valid public purpose to use its power of eminent domain. In addition, the court found no discriminatory purpose or effect in the taking.

"an overwhelming smell of urine in the stairwells and hallways."

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