

Church of Lukumi Babalu Aye v. City of Hialeah (1993)

Issue:

Decision:

According to Justice Kennedy, which aspect of the free exercise test does the Hialeah statute fail?

What details about the animal sacrifices help the church's side in this case? Which other religion does their treatment of these animals sound like? How?

In throwing out the Hialeah law as unconstitutional, what important check and balance that could appear on the comp. is the Supreme Court utilizing?

Open Questions

Could Hialeah have a general prohibition on the slaughter of any animals under any circumstances within its borders?

Can a state where marijuana use is illegal arrest Rastafarians for the ritual use of marijuana?