

In his ct of U.S. Dist  
of Kas. 6799

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U.S.  
vs.

Trans-Missouri Freight  
Association et al

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Decree

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E. H. Hall  
Clerk



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS, FIRST DIVISION.

The United States of America, complainant,

vs

The Trans-Missouri Freight Association, The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company, The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company, The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company, The Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska, The Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Company, The Denver & Rio Grande Western Railway Company, The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad Company, The Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad Company, The Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs Railroad Company, The Missouri Pacific Railway Company, The Sioux City & Pacific Railroad Company, The St. Joseph & Grand Island Railroad Company, The St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Company, The Union Pacific Railway Company, The Utah Central Railway Company, The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company, The Chicago, Kansas and Nebraska Railroad Company, and, The Denver, Texas & Fort Worth Railroad Company, defendants.

D E C R E E .

This cause came on to be heard at this term, and was argued by counsel; and thereupon, upon consideration thereof, it was ordered, adjudged and decreed as follows, viz: That the defendants, The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company, The Chicago, Kansas and Nebraska Railway Company, and the Denver, Texas & Fort Worth Railroad Company, having filed answers denying that they were members of the Trans-Missouri Freight Association and said answers not being controverted, the bill as to said defendants last named is dismissed.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Trans-Missouri Freight Association be, and the same hereby is, dissolved, and the contract or memorandum of agreement of March 15, 1889, partially set out in the Bill, and a full copy of which is attached to the answer of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company, be and the same hereby is annulled and held for naught; and the said defendants, The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company, The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company, The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway



Company, The Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska, The Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Company, The Denver & Rio Grande Western Railway Company, The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad Company, The Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad Company, The Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs Railroad Company, The Missouri Pacific Railway Company, The Sioux City & Pacific Railroad Company, The St. Joseph & Grand Island Railroad Company, The St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Company, The Union Pacific Railway Company, and the Utah Central Railway Company, and all and each of them, be, and they hereby are, forever enjoined and prohibited from further agreeing, combining, conspiring, or acting together to maintain rules, regulations and rates for carrying freight upon their several lines of railroad so as to hinder trade and commerce between the States and Territories of the United States; and that said defendants last named, and each of them, be, and they hereby are, perpetually enjoined and prohibited from entering into, or continuing in, any combination, association or conspiracy to deprive the people engaged in trade and commerce between and among the States and Territories of the United States, of such facilities, and rates and charges of freight transportation, as will be afforded by free and unrestrained competition between the several lines of railroad owned or operated by said last named defendants; and that said last named defendants, and each of them, be, and they hereby are, perpetually enjoined and prohibited from agreeing, combining, conspiring, or acting together to monopolize the freight traffic arising from the trade and commerce between the States and Territories of the United States; and from agreeing, combining, conspiring, or acting together to prevent either or any of their co-defendants, or any other carrier of freight traffic, from carrying and transporting freight and commodities in the trade and commerce between the States and Territories of the United States at such rates as shall be voluntarily fixed by the officers and agents of each of said defendants acting independently and separately in its own behalf.

And it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the complainant have and recover from the defendants its costs in this behalf expended, taxed at

dollars, and that unless the same be paid within ninety days from this

date that an execution issue therefor.

*Cassius G. Foster*  
Judge