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VS.

ANSWER OF STATE OF ARKANSAS TO COMPLAINT OF STATE OF TENNESSEE

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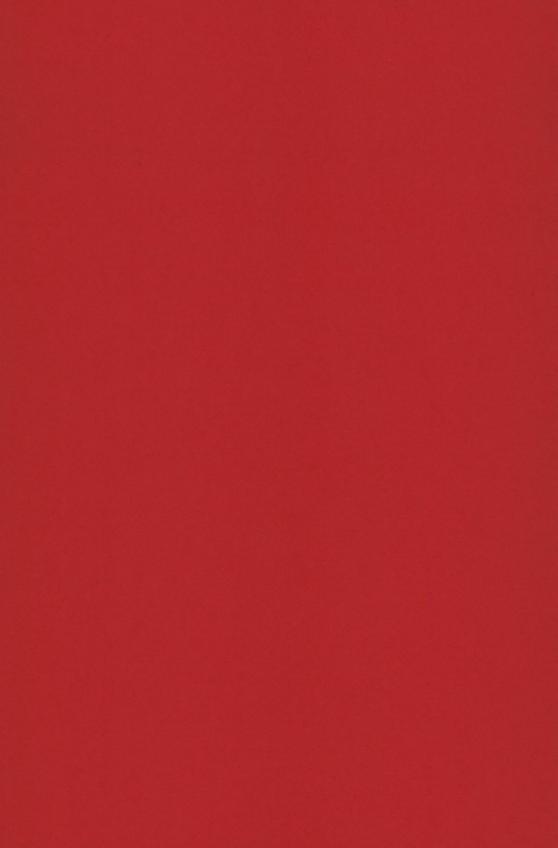
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ANSWER

The State of Arkansas, for its answer to the complaint of the State of Tennessee, states:

I.

It admits so much of paragraph I of plaintiff's complaint as pertains to 28 U.S.C. § 1251(a)(1) (1948) and denies all other allegations of paragraph I.

II.

It admits the allegations of paragraph II of plaintiff's complaint.

III.

It admits the allegations of paragraph III of plaintiff's complaint.

IV.

It admits the allegations of paragraph IV of plaintiff's complaint.

V.

It admits the allegations of paragraph V of plaintiff's complaint.

VI.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph VI of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph VI.

VII.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph VII of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph VII.

VIII.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph VIII of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph VIII.

IX.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph IX of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph IX.

X.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph X of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph X.

XI.

It is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph XI of plaintiff's complaint and, therefore, denies each and every allegation of paragraph XI.

XII.

It admits the first sentence and subsequent citations of authority in paragraph XII of plaintiff's complaint. It denies the second sentence of paragraph XII of plaintiff's complaint. It admits the last sentence of paragraph XII of plaintiff's complaint.

XIII.

It admits that the exact location of the boundary line

between the States of Arkansas and Tennessee is significant to both states. It denies every other allegation of paragraph XIII of plaintiff's complaint.

XIV.

It denies all allegations of plaintiff not specifically admitted herein.

XV.

As an affirmative defense defendant states that plaintiff's conceded long acquiescence in Arkansas's possession of the property in issue and its exercise of dominion and sovereignty over it bars this action and is conclusive of Arkansas's title.

WHEREFORE, defendant, the State of Arkansas, prays that the Court dismiss plaintiff's complaint, award defendant costs, and order such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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