

04-163 LINGLE V. CHEVRON U.S.A., INC.

DECISION BELOW: 363 F3d 846

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 02-15867

QUESTION PRESENTED:

1. Whether the Just Compensation Clause authorizes a court to invalidate state economic legislation on its face and enjoin enforcement of the law on the basis that the legislation does not substantially advance a legitimate state interest, without regard to whether the challenged law diminishes the economic value or usefulness of any property.
2. Whether a court, in determining under the Just Compensation Clause whether state economic legislation substantially advances a legitimate state interest, should apply a deferential standard of review equivalent to that traditionally applied to economic legislation under the Due Process and Equal Protection Clauses, or may instead substitute its judgment for that of the legislature by determining *de novo*, by a preponderance of the evidence at trial, whether the legislation will be effective in achieving its goals.

CERT. GRANTED 10/12/2004