

# How the Supreme Court of Texas Operates Today



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#### CASE: C-8353

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**Case:** C-8353  
**Date Filed:** 02/10/1989  
**Case Type:** Granted cause that has 2 applications  
**Style:** EDGEWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ET AL.  
**v.:** WILLIAM KIRBY ET AL.

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06/07/2018	Case File from Microfiche			
11/13/1989	Mandate issued		REHEARING OVERRULED 777 SW2D 391	
10/25/1989	Motion for Rehearing - Disposed	Overruled		
10/18/1989	Motion for Rehearing forwarded			
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This case is analogous to Texas Supreme Court cases dealing with the Legislature's authority to draw state legislative districts. Though the Legislature is specifically given that authority by the State Constitution, the Legislature's actions under that authority are still amenable to judicial review. Clements v. Valles, 620 S.W.2d 112 (Tex. 1981); Smith v. Craddick, 471 S.W.2d 375 (Tex. 1971).

III. THE TEXAS SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM IS NOT AN EFFICIENT  
SYSTEM AND VIOLATES ARTICLE VII, SECTION 1 OF THE  
TEXAS CONSTITUTION.

A. THIS COURT MUST CONSIDER THE "EFFICIENCY" OF THE TEXAS SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE UNDISPUTED FACTUAL FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS OF THE DISTRICT COURT.

"It is not only the right, but the duty of the Judicial Branch of the Government to determine whether or not a legislative act contravenes or antagonizes the fundamental law." Friedman v. American Surety Co. of New York, 151 S.W. 2d 570

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