

San Jose v. The Office of the Commissioner of Baseball

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At issue in this case is MLB's unlawful and continued restraint of the move by the Athletics from Oakland to San José, California. Plaintiffs have suffered and continue to suffer damages and antitrust injury in the millions of dollars due to Defendants' unreasonable restraint of trade.

Plaintiffs seek relief under state laws and federal antitrust laws in connection with a threatened loss resulting from the unlawful exercise of market power by MLB in the market for major league men's professional baseball contests in the United States and Canada. MLB is excluding competition and restraining trade in that market through the application of unreasonable restrictions in its Constitution which are preventing the City of San José from competing with the City of Oakland for the Athletics Baseball Club. The MLB Constitution expired in December 2012 and no new Constitution has been posted on its website.

[Read the entire case, here \(PDF\)](#)



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