

01-1067 UNITED STATES v. WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

Ruling below: CA Fed, 249 F.3d 1364.

QUESTION PRESENTED

In 1960, Congress declared that a former military post in Arizona would "be held by the United States in trust for the White Mountain Apache Tribe, subject to the right of the Secretary of the Interior to use any part of the land and improvements for administrative or school purposes for as long as they are needed for that purpose." Act of Mar. 18, 1960, Pub. L. No. 86-392, 74 Stat. 8.

The question presented is whether that Act authorizes the award of money damages against the United States for alleged breach of trust in connection with such property.

CERT. GRANTED: 4/22/02

Oral argument in tandem with 01-1375, U.S. v. Navajo Tribe