
JOSE P. MAFNAS, Appellant
v.
SAIPAN SHIPPING CO., INC., Appellee
Civil Appeal No. 46
Appellate Division of the High Court
Mariana Islands District
April 28, 1969

SHOECRAFT, *Chief Justice*

Upon motion of appellant on April 24, 1969, this matter is hereby dismissed. Costs are taxed to the appellant.

RAMON P. CALVO, Deceased,
PILAR L. CALVO, Administratrix, Plaintiff-Appellant
v.
TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS, And Others,
Defendant-Appellee
Civil Appeal No. 29
Appellate Division of the High Court
April 30, 1969

Appeal from title determination. Appellant contended that appellee government did not have sovereignty and therefore was without governmental power or authority. The Appellate Division of the High Court, D. Kelly Turner, Associate Justice, held that the right to exercise all necessary powers of government over the Territory was provided in the Trusteeship Agreement and delegated by Congress to the President to the secretary of Interior and thus although there was not sovereignty in the international sense there was a right to govern derived from the delegation of legislative power by the United States Congress.

Judgment appealed from affirmed.

1. Courts--Jurisdiction

The status of sovereignty, being a political question, is not one for the courts to declare.