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don't know -- maybe the First Amendment gives him that right.

MR. BARRETT: Well, I think, Judge Brown, each instance may involve a question of fact, as it must, whether or not under the circumstances it is an incitement or merely an expression of the individual's views, and, of course, the injunction that we ask for would reach a direct incitement.

JUDGE TUTTLE: I think your answer to Judge Bell's question is that you are seeking as broad an order as is constitutional against any interference with a particular thing, which is this Court's order.

MR. BARRETT: That is right.

JUDGE TUTTLE: And, therefore, it is as broad as it can be in the persons it reaches acting on behalf of the State, but it is narrow in that it reaches only as far as this conduct may affect what this court has previously issued --

MR. BARRETT: That is correct.

JUDGE TUTTLE: -- in the way of an order.

JUDGE BELL: Let us explore this a little. It seems to me this is very important. I read in the paper last week where Senator Stennis was complaining about the troops being in Mississippi. That was -- in a way he was criticizing the Federal Government and the way this case was being handled. Your injunction you don't contemplate would go so far as to stop him from objecting, do you?

MR. BARRETT: We do not.

JUDGE BELL: Well, that is where I don't know where you draw the line. Governor Barnett complaining is one thing, telling people not to obey the Court's order.

MR. BARRETT: Yes.

JUDGE RELL: He is directly involved, but then when you get over into the other people in Mississippi, there is a different shade of the thing. They are complaining, but they are not inciting anybody particularly to disobey the Court's order or defy the Court's order, you see.

MR. BARRETT: Yes.

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JUDGE BELL: It is difficult to see where the line is drawn.

MR. BARRETT: Well, there may be a difficult factual situation, very close, but I would be sure that Senator Stennis was not inciting anyone to remove Meredith from the school or to interfere with the federal officers, who were carrying out the orders of this Court.

JUDGE BELL: Well, somebody, some Congressman from Mississippi, said that the matter never would resolve itself until Meredith was removed from the school. Just what you just said -- well, I don't want to interfere any longer with your argument. You go right ahead. The whole question concerns me.

MR. BARRETT: Well, perhaps I should say this, that

the -

JUDGE BELL: Let me say that you have six other Judges, so you'd better argue some to them and not waste your time too much on me.

MR. BARRETT: There is something I would like to say that does bear on that. The gist of our claim really is not what has been said but what has been done. Now what has been said does throw light on what has been done, and particularly what has been said recently in the October 3rd resolution indicates what may well be done in the future, unless there is some sort of restraint from this Court or from some other source.

JUDGE GEWIN: Mr. Barrett, suppose we grant all the restraints you seek. Who will try everybody? You know there is going to be someone criticizing, voicing objections, You get into the constitutional question of whether that is a right under one amendment or a violation of the Court's order under another. Who is going to try all those people if there is a possible marginal violation of the Court's order? Will this Court then have to sit as a trial court to determine who violated the order or who didn't?

MR. BARRETT: Well, Judge Gewin, I think it is true that this Court would have to determine whether or not its own orders had been violated. However, again let me say that the order we seek does not seek to enjoin segregation,

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it does not seek to enjoin segregation in schools, it does not seek to enjoin generally obstruction to the Federal Court.

All it seeks to enjoin is actual obstruction to this Court's orders and the orders that have been entered pursuant to this Court's mandate.

JUDGE BELL: In this case?

MR. BARRETT: In this case.

JUDGE BELL: Well, let's get it down to this case, and that will solve one --

MR. BARRETT: Exactly.

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JUDGE BELL: -- point.

MR. BARRETT: And I would think that it would not be too difficult to determine in particular situations whether or not spoken words or actions obstructed this Court. It is not a question of whether or not they are in defiance of federal authority generally or disagreement with federal authority, but whether they are obstructing this Court, and I would say yes, this Court would have to determine it in each particular case. I would hope that there would be no occasion.

JUDGE JONES: Well, who is the citation directed to when the Legislature of Mississippi adopts another contemptuous resolution?

MR. BARRETT: Well, Judge Jones, assuming that a -- JUDGE JONES: Well, --

MR. BARRETT: It is difficult for me to assume.

JUDGE JONES: You have just read one that you say

is one of the reasons why an injunction against the State of Mississippi is required.

MR. BARRETT: Well, I think I have not made myself clear. I am not saying that this particular resolution should have been or should now be enjoined. What I am saying is that the resolution is evidence, and I think very clear evidence, that the conduct which in the past has obstructed this Court is going to go on, unless this Court restrains it.

JUDGE TUTTLE: And is State action?

MR. BARRETT: And is State action. That is correct.

JUDGE WISDOM: To some extent your argument fits in with Mr. Clark's argument or the argument of the State that at this point, regardless of how it may have started out, at this point the controversy now is primarily with the State of Mississippi. In fact, that is one of their main arguments, that it is against the State of Mississippi, and, therefore, should be and comes within the Eleventh Amendment.

MR. BARRETT: Well, I think actually in the past hearings Counsel for the State has made the most effective arguments for enjoining the State.

JUDGE WISDOM: That is the very point of my remarks.

They are making the same arguments you are making.

MR. BARRETT: Our only disagreement would be that the responsibility of the State absolves all others, which is --

JUDGE BELL: That is the argument I thought they were making.

MR. BARRETT: Well, they are, but they agree with us that the State is responsible.

JUDGE BELL: Well, everyone else is absolved? That is what I took to be their argument.

MR. BARRETT: And that part of it, of course, we disagree with.

JUDGE BELL: Yes.

MR. BARRETT: We believe that the order of the District Court in the New Orleans School case is dispositive of whether or not a preliminary injunction is appropriate as against the particular types of defendants on the facts of this case. There as here the State had adopted a resolution of interposition; there as here the State Legislature enacted and the Governor signed laws seeking to implement that resolution. Some of these laws or some of the proclamations, as here, were directed against the agents of the Federal Government, who sought to implement the decrees of the Federal Court. The United States, as Amicus Curiae, filed a petition for an injunction, obtained a

temporary restraining order pending hearing of the motion for an injunction. After hearing, an order was entered. This was on November 30, 1960, the three-judge Court. Although the State of Louisiana as a state was not one of the enjoined defendants in this particular case, it was in other phases of the litigation. The Court enjoined the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor and the State Attorney General and various other officials, and then went on to enjoin the District Attorneys of all Judicial Districts of Louisiana as a class, the Griminal Sheriffs of all parishes in Louisiana as a class, the Mayors of all incorporated municipalities of the State of Louisiana as a class, the Chiefs of Police of all incorporated municipalities of the State of Louisiana as a class, and all other persons "who are acting or may act in concert with them, be and are hereby restrained, " and then it goes on to state what they are restrained from doing, concluding with "from otherwise interfering in any way with the operation of the Public Schools of the Parish of Orleans by the Orleans Parish School Board pursuant to the orders of this Court."

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Now that order of temporary injunction entered by the three-judge Court was appealed to the Supreme Court. Pending appeal, a stay was requested by the Appellants. The stay was denied, and the Court in denying it made its per curiam order, which has since been very much quoted, to the effect that interposition is not a constitutional doctrine, and, if taken seriously, borders on sedition, words to that effect. Later, after the stay had been denied, the Supreme Court affirmed the order of the District Court, so that we have a clear Supreme Court precedent for exactly the type of preliminary injunction we are seeking here. Here as there the various officials, the sheriffs, the district attorneys, as a class, have been directed by the highest organs of the State Government, by the State itself, in fact, by direction that only the State as a state can give to obstruct the orders of this Court, and we urge upon the Court that both the State and they in their class capacity should accordingly be enjoined, and that the temporary injunction should issue pending further procedures.

MRS. MOTLEY: May it please the Court, I believe Mr. Clark stated that there was no motion for preliminary injunction by the Appellant pending before this Court. On September 25th, the Appellant made application for a temporary restraining order, in which the Appellant prayed for a preliminary injunction against the Governor.

JUDGE TUTTLE: A preliminary injunction?

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, sir.

JUDGE RIVES: Never prayed for one against the State of Mississippi?

MRS. MOTLEY: No, sir, we have not. I will read

paragraph 5 of the prayer of our documents

"We pray that said Governor be ordered to appear before this Court on October 5, 1962 at 10:00 a.m. at the Old Post Office Building . . ."

-- and so forth --

says.

"...and show cause why he should not be continued as a party in this case and why this temporary injunction should not be made a preliminary injunction."

JUDGE TUTTIE: Temporary restraining order?

MRS. MOTLEY: Why this "temporary injunction" it

MRS. MOTLEY: Should have been, yes, "should not be made a preliminary injunction." Now the document is entitled "Application for Temporary Restraining Order," but I don't think that we are bound by the name that happens to be given to the document. The order which was signed by this Court in paragraph one ordered Governor Barnett to appear before this Court on the date given before and show cause why he should not be made a party in this case and why a preliminary injunction should not issue.

Mow, as I understand the State's first contention in this matter, it is that this Court does not have the

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power to issue a preliminary injunction. Now this Court issued a preliminary injunction on July 28th, securing the admission of the Appellant to the University of Mississippi and enjoining Paul Alexander --

JUDGE BROWN: Nothing preliminary about that,
July 28th. The only thing limited in point of time is the
injunction against the prosecution of that one specific
criminal case.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes.

JUDGE BROWN: The rest of it is a permanent injunction, as I read it.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, sir. I was getting to that, that the preliminary injunction issue was limited to Paul Alexander, who was not a party to this case.

Now, in addition, I would like to point out that, with respect to that part of the order of July 28th, it was pending final action by the Supreme Court, and application for certiorari was denied Monday, which means that, if a preliminary injunction as to Paul Alexander ends, I would say -- and, therefore, there is a necessity for a preliminary injunction in addition to the restraining order which we have already received, either on the application of the Government or the Appellant, further restraining these Court actions, the one brought by Paul Alexander, the two or three brought by the Governor, and that is why it is necessary for this

Court to issue a preliminary injunction, a temporary restraining order, without notice having been issued.

Now I think that the other thing which ought to be stressed with regard to the July 25th preliminary injunction order part is that the State contends that this Court is without power to issue any such preliminary injunction.

Well, they ask the United States Supreme Court to review that question in their petition for writ of certiorari before the United States Supreme Court, and specifically on page 27 of their petition they have an entire section devoted to this, in which they say:

"The actions of the Honorable Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit subject to the issuance of its mandate constitutes such a departure from the usual and accepted course of judicial proceedings as to call for the exercise of this Court's supervision."

Now in that section, they attack the power of this Court, on page 29, to issue the order of July 28th.

Now the denial of certiorari by the United States
Supreme Court on Monday means that this Court's decision
with respect to its power to issue a preliminary injunction
has been left standing, so that I think that the law in this
case now is that this Court does have the power to issue a

preliminary injunction, protecting the jurisdiction of this Court and more specifically preserving the effectiveness of the final injunction which it directed the District Court to issue in this case.

Now, as I said, the preliminary injunction part, which was issued against Paul Alexander, has expired.

JUDGE TUTTLE: There is a restraining order outstanding against him now, isn't there?

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MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, there is, there is. Now these other State Court actions, which were brought by the Governor, are returnable in those State Courts on the fourth Monday in October. Now, with respect to the one in Hinds County, for example, the Sheriff of Hinds County returned his summons with the statement -- and I don't know whether that is a part of the evidence that is already in, but we have a certified copy, if that is needed as additional evidence -- where the Sheriff said that he was enjoined, doesn't say by whom, from serving that injunction order on the Appellant Meredith, but the action according to the certified copy of the record in that Court makes that injunction returnable on October 4th. No action has been taken by the Governor or his attorneys to dismiss those proceedings, so that I think the injunction is certainly necessary, that is, the preliminary injunction against the continued prosecution of those State Court actions, because those State Court actions, as I see it, are

perhaps the greatest single threat to the continued attendance of the Appellant at the University of Mississippi, because all of those actions are designed to get him out of the University of Mississippi. They were brought to enjoin him from doing anything further to secure his attendance, and certainly the State Court prosecution is designed to get him out of the State University.

JUDGE BROWN: I suppose that if we issue such an injunction, anyone that is enjoined with regard to those individual State Court actions will have the right to come in and make a showing to this Court that there are reasonable grounds for the further prosecution, either as a criminal or civil case, against Meredith?

MRS. MOTLEY: That is right.

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JUDGE BROWN: But, until that is done, it stands undenied that it is just a part of the scheme.

MRS. MOTIEY: That is right, and certainly I think that the reason we need a preliminary injunction here is, as the Government has argued, that what we have here is a war against the Constitution of the United States by all of the officials and the State of Mississippi, and the Supreme Court has ruled already in Cooper vs. Aaron that no state official, whether he is an executive, a legislator of the state, or the judiciary of the state, can war against the Constitution without violating the duty of those state

officials to uphold it.

JUDGE BELL: What do you mean by "warring against the Constitution"? Do you mean by that that you can't even complain about it?

MRS. MOTLEY: No, to do more than that, that is, to do exactly what was done here, to pass resolutions, to make inciting speeches, to bring State Court actions, and to do things of that nature in defiance of the authority of the United States. What you have here is a whole pattern of activity on the part of State officers; you don't have an isolated speech by some legislator opposing the decision of the Supreme Court in the Brown case has settled --

JUDGE BELL: Mrs. Motley, how would you go about Just think of the history of this country -- how would you
go about amending the Constitution? Just forget about the
segregation-integration issue, but some other thing,
prohibition, we'll say. Don't you have to war against the
Constitution, don't you have to argue and meet and assemble
and petition and those sort of things?

MRS. MOTLEY: No, sir.

JUDGE BELL: I know you can go too far, but the problem here is where do you draw the line when you get to talking about warring against the Constitution.

MRS. MOTLEY: I think you draw the line at what

would clearly be in the area of free speech. I think that an effort could be made on the part of the Southern states to amend the Constitution to reverse the Supreme Court's decision in the Brown case. Now I think that the possibility of getting three-fourths of the states to do that is as remote as anything could be, but I still think the Southern states have a right to organize themselves.

JUDGE BELL: Well, suppose one state wanted to do it and maybe others don't.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, sir, that is true.

JUDGE BELL: I am not talking about organizing. I am just talking about resoluting, and the Legislature gets together and wants to pass a resolution, they don't like the President or don't like the Attorney General or don't like the N.A.A.C.P. or don't like this one or that one.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, I think they could do that. I think that is probably within the --

JUDGE BELL: -- free speech --

MRS. MOTLEY: -- province of any Legislature, and that is free speech, but when they go beyond that and use the full power of the State to prevent the execution of the Pederal Court's order -- and I think the evidence is clear that that is what Mississippi intended here, what the Governor intended and what has in fact taken place. They have filed all these Court actions, which certainly the

Appellant alone could not have kept up with. If it hadn't been for the intervention of the United States, we could never have carried on this litigation, and what the United States says to this Court is that when you have a rebellion against the United States, such as you have here, that rebellion can be put down by the United States either by force of arms or the courts will devise some method.

JUDGE BELL: Now that raises another grave constitutional question: The power of the Constitution to guarantee a republican form of government. Of course, you say this is a rebellion. Maybe it hasn't got anything to do with a republican form of government.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, I think that that is a question which I can't answer, what is a republican form of government and what can be used to guarantee it, but --

JUDGE WISDOM: You don't have to talk about warring against the United States. All you have to talk about is the fact that the State of Mississippi, through its officials, and particularly through its Governor, defied the orders of this Court and physically prevented the orders being carried out.

MRS. MOTLEY: That is right.

JUDGE JONES: You are not seeking an injunction against Mississippi as a state? You are only asking relief against individuals as individuals?

MRS. MOTLEY: That is right. Our motion was limited to the Governor and, I believe, the Sheriff of Hinds County.

JUDGE JONES: And you are not in a position to complain about the resolutions then?

MRS. MOTIEY: Well, we certainly support the Government's position. As I understand it, it is this, as I tried to say a moment ago --

JUDGE JONES: They are the amicus here? You are the Appellant?

MRS. MOTIEY: Yes, but I think that anything done by the Government is done on behalf of the Appellant in this case. I don't want to suggest that we don't agree with the position of the Government in this respect. As I started to say, I think what the Government is trying to do is to find a way to bring about compliance with the Constitution of the United States and respect for Federal Court orders by some means other than by the use of force, and they say to the Court that here you have this whole state apparatus defying the United States, and somehow we have got to find a legal remedy against this in place of the use of arms, which might be the only other alternative, and that is what they are; as I see it, trying to say, and, of course, there is a serious Eleventh Amendment question presented, but nevertheless I think that in this type of situation some method must be

found for bringing the whole state organization under a Court order, as this situation seems to require, because Mr.

Barrett said -- he listed a number of state officials -- he hasn't listed them all and probably could not if he sat down and attempted to do so.

JUDGE BROWN: Whereas, if he lists Mississippi, it takes in all of those people who are acting under the color of their --

MRS. MOTLEY: Right.

JUDGE BROWN: If they have knowledge of the decree out of the newspaper.

MRS. MOTLEY: So then, if the Court could find some way of enjoining the State as an entity, which would cover all these state officials, certainly that is to be desired, and I think that is what the Government says, and I think in that respect the Appellant certainly supports the Government that the law must devise some way of preventing all the state officials who organize in this fashion to defeat a Federal Court order.

JUDGE BROWN: Are you saying about this that the Appellant -- has the Appellant from the occurrences so far seen the necessity for ancillary relief at the hands of the United States Government to see that these orders are enforced?

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes.

JUDGE BROWN: You can't be a party to it yourself, but you can --

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, sir.

JUDGE GEWIN: Suppose the relief is granted.

Suppose that everybody thinks this is concerted action and that many people are involved. Who would try them and decide whether they are guilty or not and whether they were making a speech that they had a right to make or whether they were inciting people to riot and disorderly conduct? Would that be the problem of this Court then, in your judgment, --
MRS. MOTLEY: Yes.

JUDGE GEWIN: -- to try all of those cases and decide all of those questions?

MRS. MOTLEY: I think if this Court issued that injunction and it appeared that somebody had violated that injunction, that person or persons would have to be brought in here, as we have some now, to determine whether they had obstructed the injunctive order of this Court.

JUDGE GEWIN: Your argument forebodes the idea, it seems to me, that an injunction is needed, because many people will violate it in one way or another, and, if that reason for granting it is true, then we might well expect numerous violations resulting in subsequent numerous determinations of whether or not the order has been violated.

MRS. MOTIEY: Well, I think that the issuance of a

Court order usually and generally is respected, and that, if this Court issues an injunction against all the State officials, you will have compliance. Perhaps a few would try to violate it even then, but I think the overwhelming majority, it could be assumed, would abide by the orders.

JUDGE JONES: What did Patrick Henry say? "No way of judging the future but by the past," in expecting compliance.

MRS. MOTLEY: Well, I think that at this stage of this litigation it is reasonable to assume that there would be a larger number of State officials who would not take any active part in further defiance of this Court's order. That is what I mean.

JUDGE BROWN: Provided they are named as parties and enjoined?

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, yes.

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JUDGE BROWN: But up to now there is no basis, from what we hear and what we have seen, that there will be any general spirit of willingness to cooperate or help enforce the orders of this Court up to this time, except by those people --

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes.

JUDGE BROWN: -- who are under a positive order.

MRS. MOTLEY: There has been no statement by any official that I know of to the effect that they would support

the orders of this Court. However, I think that also in the last few days there has been some evidence that not many are taking action in violation of this Court's order, but, as I say, I think what the Government is trying to do is to devise some method of dealing with this problem which we have, and which is unique, and which we may not have again. We have a whole state apparatus operating to defy a Court order, and this is the reason for their request, as I understand it, for an injunction against the State as an entity as well as against all of these other State officials.

JUDGE BELL: Now we are being asked to issue an injunction, and we haven't had any evidence at all -- and certainly I wouldn't think it is up to the Appellant or the Government to offer it -- that conditions have improved in recent days to demonstrate that there is no need for an injunction. There is nothing you can do about that.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Well, actually they are under a restraining order now.

JUDGE BELL: They are under a restraining order now, so, of course, they comply, but, if there is no restraining order and no injunction, there is no indication of what would happen.

MRS. MOTLEY: Yes, I certainly think from the record in this case that there is a clear need for a continuance of the temporary restraining orders which have been

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issued. I don't think that this Court could conclude at this time that there is no further need for any restraint on the officials of the State of Mississippi, as many officials have already been named by the Government in its ancillary proceeding.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Mr. Clark, we would like to take a lunch recess at about one o'clock. That seems to be as good a time as any. Now would you give us an estimate of about how long the three of you would feel that you would like to argue the case.

MR. CLARK: If Your Honor, please, I will make the only argument, and, of course, Your Honor, I think it would depend entirely --

JUDGE TUTTLE: I see.

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MR. CLARK: -- upon what questions the Court would want to ask of me as to how long it would be.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Right.

MR. CLARK: I would say as far as my response is concerned that it would probably take me thirty minutes or less, maybe not even that long.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Very well. Just a moment.

(Conference among the Court)

JUDGE TUTTLE: We will go ahead and run to 1:15 or 1:20, if necessary, rather than --

(Conference among the Court)

JUDGE TUTTLE: Since it is so close, we will simply take a luncheon recess now. The Court will be back in here at twenty minutes of 2:00, one hour. The Court will recess for one hour.

....Thereupon, at 12:42 o'clock p.m.,
a recess was taken until 1:40 o'clock

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...Pursuant to the recess, hearing in the above-entitled matters was resumed at 1:40 o'clock p.m., appearances being the same as heretofore noted in the record....

JUDGE TUTTLE: You may proceed, Mr. Clark.

MR. CLARK: May it please the Court, I submit that the Government's argument and the argument of the Appellant in this cause loses sight entirely of the matter that is before the Court. The controversy that brought jurisdiction to this Honorable Court was the case of James H. Meredith vs. Charles D. Fair and others on the Board of Trustees and three officials of the University of Mississippi.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Your associates can't hear you.

MR. CLARK: This is the case of Meredith vs. Fair, and in connection with this case, the case of Meredith vs. Fair, the Court in its action saw fit to recall a mandate issued to the District Court, which had specifically directed that the jurisdiction of this cause remain in the District Court, and amended that mandate and returned it to the District Court, and therewith issued an injunction that said this:

\*Pending such time as the District Court
has issued and enforced the orders herein
required and until such time as there has
been full and actual compliance in good

faith with each and all of said orders by the actual admission of plaintiffappellant to, and the continued attendance thereafter at the University of Mississippi on the same basis as other students who attend the University, the defendants, their servants, agents, employees, successors and assigns, and all persons acting in concert with them, as well as any and all persons having knowledge of the decree are expressly:"

enjoined.

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Now this particular injunction is the only vestige of jurisdiction that this Court has on the case of Meredith vs. Fair, on the Government's temporary restraining order, on the Appellant's temporary restraining order, on anything connected with this lawsuit. If it can't take a purchase on that injunction, then it doesn't belong before this Court at this time, for Congress has vested only the District Courts of the United States with jurisdiction of causes of action where the United States is a party, and, of course, you have got against the states an original jurisdiction in the Supreme Court of the United States, but there is no jurisdiction granted to this Court by any act of Congress, which

created this Court, to exercise any original jurisdiction, but the Government says this is ancillary jurisdiction, and because ancillary jurisdiction becomes the entire connection between your power to act and the action that you are requested to take, may I have the indulgence of the Court to read you a definition of what is ancillary. It is from the case of O'Brien vs. Richtarsic, and it is from the District Court in the Western District of New York, speaking through Judge Knight. The opinion is reported in 2 F.D.R., page 42, and I read from page 44:

designating or pertaining to a document, proceeding \* \* \* that is subordinate to, or in aid of, another primary or principal one; as an ancillary attachment, bill, or suit presupposes the existence of another principal proceeding. ' 1. Bouvier's Law Dictionary \* \* \* defines ancillary as 'Auxiliary,' 'Subordinate.' In Pell vs.

McCabe (the Second Circuit) \* \* \* certain rules of determination were laid down. So far as could be relevant here, two only need be given consideration. The ancillary process must be 'to aid, enjoin, or regulate the original suit, \* \* \* .' The

cases last cited uniformly hold that ancillary jurisdiction in effect presupposes jurisdiction over the suit.

Otherwise a claim could not be ancillary, and, of course, no jurisdiction be obtained.

This, of course, comports with the general authority under which this Court acted in this case, and that was 1651, Title 28, which allows you to issue whatever writs are necessary to aid your jurisdiction.

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I would also call to Your Honors' attention -- and I am not going to quote from the brief, because we are going to submit it on the brief -- the reference on page 27 to the definition or rather the statement taken from 26 C.J.S.: The extraordinary power to issue writs is only -- and I am paraphrasing slightly -- is only for use in those rare instances when the appellate jurisdiction would be adversely affected unless the action is taken by the appellate court.

JUDGE BROWN: Do I assume correctly at this stage of your argument, Mr. Clark, you assume the validity of the orders of July 27 and 28?

MR. CLARK: For the purpose of this argument, yes, sir. Of course, Your Honors know we have taken the position the orders were improvidently issued and incorrectly issued.

A pause at this point might be appropriate here.

There has been a great deal said about denial of writ of certiorari. I call the attention of the Court to House vs. Mayo, 242 (?), in which the Supreme Court made it quite clear that a denial of certiorari establishes no principles in the case.

MR. CLARK: If Your Honor please, we know of instances in which the writ of certiorari has been denied and the Court has later decided to take certiorari in the same lawsuit. I think it would certainly indicate that the Supreme Court didn't want to look at this lawsuit, and I think that my legal argument to you is -- because of the citation just given you -- it does not have the effect of an affirmance.

JUDGE TUTTLE: It certainly has as much effect as if no appeal had been taken though. You are no better off than if no appeal had been taken.

MR. CLARK: Certainly, sir, I am no better off.

JUDGE TUTTLE: That is what I am saying.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

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JUDGE TUTTLE: Whatever validity there is to this injunction issued by this Court on the 25th, 26th or 27th -- whatever date it was -- has finally become the law of this case.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. In connection with the

proposition I advanced to the Court, that this is not ancillary relief, I would like to call the Court's attention to a case that you have heard time and again, In Re Debs, 158 U.S. at 564. In this case the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that the United States had such an interest in seeing that its mails were duly delivered that it could have a separate and independent right of action to move into a railway labor strike and enjoin the principals and actually physically remove them from the scene of the strike, and the United States has time and again cited that case as support for the fact that any time its laws are being violated, that it has an independent right as the United States to come in and assert a cause of action in the District Court against whoever is violating those laws, and my point that I would make with you is that by coming into this Court to short-circuit the bringing of such a suit in the District Court, and thereby imposing an additional appellate burden upon this Court, is completely analogous to the bringing of a permissive counterclaim as an ancillary action to the original suit.

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There are two distinct rules of law. A compulsory claim, which must be litigated, cannot defeat the jurisdiction of the Court. A man having a compulsory counterclaim might in a diversity suit come in and wind up on the opposite side of a lawsuit to a person of his same state, to

a citizen of his same state, and he does not destroy federal jurisdiction that has attached, and the Court cannot consider the counterclaim, which could never have been brought in that court as an original action.

Also it is a rule of the same force and effect that a permissive counterclaimant will not be heard by a court, a man who could bring his action here or later will not be heard by a court who would not have jurisdiction of that cause, and I think that that is exactly the position that the United States is in here, particularly now since they have come in here and tried to assert to this Court that they don't comply with your order admitting them as an amicus, that they have come in here as a party.

JUDGE BROWN: Well, the order is very specific as to what they can do.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

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JUDGE BROWN: And everything they have done is literally expressed in that order.

MR. CLARK: And that order is just as positive as can be, Judge Brown, that they are amicus curiae to this Court in this proceeding.

JUDGE WISDOM: It is called an amicus curiae, but it is not the ordinary amicus.

JUDGE BELL: I might say that I signed the order, and, had they not been an amicus, I would not have signed it.

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Judge Wisdom and Judge Brown also signed it, but they are amicus curiae, that is exactly what they are; whatever that is, that is what they are.

JUDGE WISDOM: I go beyond that description of it. I think the powers given to the United States make it in effect a party, if it has any power to assert as a party, that is, it may initiate action, and I don't think of that in the ordinary sense as being associated or included within the rights of an amicus. That is why I -- I would say that the description is inaccurate to call the United States an amicus in this case.

MR. CLARK: Judge, I wouldn't agree with you, sir, for this reason:

JUDGE WISDOM: Intervenor would be a better term.

MR. CLARK: I wouldn't agree with you because of what they have done under the holding in this Universal Oil Production versus, I think, Root Refining Company, in which they allowed an intervention as amicus, and the amicus actually got a master appointed and proceeded to take evidence for the court there. The persons who came in as amicus definitely told the Court at that time that they were going to later be attorneys for the parties. This case is cited both in the Government's original Memorandum of Authorities to intervene as amicus and in their brief that has been filed with the Court.

JUDGE JONES: Were there any such powers expressly granted as were expressly granted here?

MR. CLARK: Judge, I haven't read the order. I don't know.

JUDGE RIVES: Isn't this case very close to <u>Bush</u>
vs. Orleans Parish School Board, where they brought --

JUDGE JONES: -- as amicus, and later filed -- except it was a district court instead of an appellate.

MR. CLARK: And, as I pointed out to Your Honors, you invited them in there, and the Court in its opinion in that case said it should also be stressed that the Government appeared -- and it italicized -- at the Court's request. The Justice Department was not intervening to protect a special interest of its own, and here --

JUDGE RIVES: I thought we invited them in here. I thought the Court directed them to appear as amicus.

MR. CLARK: On their petition.

JUDGE RELL: They filed a petition, but the purpose of the appointment of the Government as amicus curiae in this case was to preserve the processes of the Court -- it is so stated in the last clause of the order -- and in that connection they can file orders and those sort of things, but it is to preserve the processes of the Court, which I assume was the same reason they were allowed to appear as amicus in

the Bush case.

MR. CLARK: If Your Honor please --

JUDGE RELL: Even though in fact they may have been invited in that case, I don't think that makes a great deal of difference. It is when the processes of the Court are under attack that you have to have somebody to do some of the things that a court cannot do, like filing petitions, citing people for contempt, and those sort of things. The Court could do it, but it wouldn't be as orderly a way to do it.

MR. CLARK: As I said in the previous argument I made to you, I conceive the fact (to be that) the Court could have in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, called on a member of the Hattiesburg Bar to come in and act as amicus if it chose at that time.

JUDGE WISDOM: But the order specifically -MR. CLARK: -- to submit pleadings, arguments,
briefs, and initiate such further proceedings, including
proceedings for injunctive relief, proceedings for contempt
of court. Those are powers not ordinarily associated with -JUDGE BELL: Read the last part of it.

JUDGE WISDOM: Of course, that is all qualified by the scope, which is to protect and preserve the integrity of the Court.

MR. CLARK: In this Court -- in other words, you admitted them in this Court at the appellate level because

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you wanted this Court's orders protected?

JUDGE BELL: No. We let them in the District Court, too.

> MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

JUDGE BELL: Let them in both courts.

MR. CLARK: That is correct. I beg your pardon. That is true. They are amicus both in the District Court -they filed amicus pleadings in the District Court. Your Honor might like to have a reference: At page 876 of 19 Federal Supplement (?), your order in the Bush case or rather the District Court's order in the Bush case is set out, and it is very substantially similar as far as the powers granted to the amicus.

JUDGE RIVES: I remember we referred to the Faubus case in the Bush case. In the Faubus case, though called an amicus, they were something more than an amicus.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. The Faubus order said that they were permitted -- the Attorney General of the United States is directed to file -- in other words, they not only called them in as amicus but said, You are directed to file a petition seeking injunctive relief against the Governor and against the National Guard Commander as may be appropriate to prevent existing interferences with and obstructions to the carrying out of the orders heretofore entered by this Court, but an amicus curiae by name has got to be a friend of

this Court.

JUDGE BROWN: He can be a friend of the Court and still help, can't he?

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. What I am saying is that there is no such thing as an amicus curiae on behalf of the Appellant. Now that is an amicus-appellant, if there is any kind of animal like that, but this amicus has got to be as friendly to the State of Mississippi as to the Appellant. He acts for the Court.

JUDGE BELL: The amicus has one duty and one only in my view, and that is to see that the orders of the Court are carried out. That is what they are doing in the case.

MR. CLARK: That is right, sir.

JUDGE BELL: They are not a friend of one party or another. They are trying to get the orders of the Court carried out, and that is what they are here for.

MR. CLARK: That is my view of it, sir. Their normal function would be to suggest to the Court its proper jurisdiction. That has been the historical significance of an amicus, as I understand it, but in this case their amicus position was to help the Court to get its orders enforced?

JUDGE BELL: Right.

MR. CLARK: Here as amicus in this Court to help you get your appellate orders carried out, and I think that at that -- in other words, the purchase that they took on this lawsuit as an amicus has to go back to the only thing that was then outstanding for this Court to do or to have any jurisdiction over, and that was the injunctive order that you issued on the 28th day of July, 19 --

JUDGE BROWN: I don't see how you can say that that order is continuing in its terms.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

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JUDGE BROWN: So that -- well, I notice you raise an objection in this formal pleading that -- I suppose -- the denial of certiorari in the Meredith case puts an end to any power we have.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

JUDGE BROWN: If we had the authority to issue the injunction and by its terms it is continuing in effect, doesn't this Court then have at least some power by ancillary proceedings to see to it that its orders are carried out?

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. I had agreed with you too readily on the first part of your statement. It was a continuing injunction, but the injunction has by its terms come to an absolute end, because the parts that you wanted done, the things that you wanted done while this injunction was a pending matter have been done, and it is not --

JUDGE BROWN: You make no effort to show that, and I read the papers every day, and when people are throwing

rocks and things in the window of the cafeteria, I'd have a lot of doubt that it has been complied with in good faith, and you have made no effort to show that conditions have changed one bit from the way they were when we saw the photograph of the Governor obstructing the orders of this Court.

MR. CLARK: Please the Court, I was under the impression that this Court was going to --

JUDGE BROWN: I am talking about this order. Now the order of July 28th says until such time as he is in -- continues in attendance and in good faith on the same terms > and conditions as any other student, this injunction remains alive.

MR. CLARK: That is right.

JUDGE BROWN: You have made no effort to show at all that the conditions of that continuing injunction have been met.

MR. CLARK: And I say to Your Honor that the entire showing that is necessary is to say that qualification was met when this Court received the evidence that it considered sufficient to discharge every person against whom this injunction was directed by name, because they had complied with the injunction, because he had been admitted. This Court knows, has to know, that James Meredith has been admitted to the University of Mississippi, and that he is a

student there and has been attending ---

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JUDGE BROWN: On the same terms and conditions as any other student? -- being attacked and roughed up and things thrown, and no effort being made by the authorities to discipline students?

MR. CLARK: If Your Honor please, this man is in the custody of the United States.

JUDGE TUTTLE: Mr. Clark, there is one misapprehension I think you have. What we found as against the Trustees of the University, or as in their favor, and officials of the University was with respect to certain claimed violations of the Court's order. Now they are still subject to the restraining order and injunction of this Court, and, if anything has happened since that order by us, obviously, as you well know, they are subject to further citation for contempt, so, the mere fact that we have discharged them on a previous citation is no proof that they are now in complete compliance in this particular respect. I just think we ought to have that cleared out of the way. I am not suggesting that they are in violation now. All I am saying is the fact that we heretofore entered an order discharging them from citation for contempt is no proof of the present status in relation to the matter Judge Brown speaks about, whether he is now in full attendance in good faith, in the same standing as all other students.

MR. CLARK: All right. But you get back to this rule of law. If you don't accept that, the action of this Court established the fact they are public officials, and under <u>Watson vs. Buck</u>, 313 U.S. 817, you have to presume that they are doing their duty and doing it correctly until you know otherwise.

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JUDGE BROWN: Well, I know otherwise. I don't know how I know it, but that is one thing that is crystal clear in this case.

MR. CLARK: Judge, it can't be. It's not so. This man is not being dealt with -- he has already been admitted to the University under the same terms --

JUDGE GEWIN: If I understand your position, in arguing to the motion for preliminary injunction, you are simply saying now that the mandate of this Court and the injunctive provisions of that mandate of July 28th have been complied with because the man is in school, has been registered, enrolled, and is attending classes.

MR. CLARK: That is right, sir. If there is a problem left, Judge Gewin, it is a district court problem.

JUDGE GEWIN: And then left for the Court to further -- something you will speak to later is the matter of whether there has been a purging of the contempt.

MR. CLARK: That is my understanding, that Your Honors would permit us to take up the motion for the

temporary or preliminary injunction, and that is all that I address myself to at this time.

JUDGE BROWN: Well, my questions are related to that too. I am not trying to get at contempt.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. The only point I make with Your Honors is that insofar as the order of the 27th or 28th is concerned, that it has expired by its own terms, No. 1, and No. 2, I make the point in which event obviously you have nothing to have an ancillary proceeding on. In other words, I don't even attack at this particular moment for the purpose 10 of this argument, your authority to issue the temporary 11 restraining order. I just say that, if it was validly issued, it is gone, too. This matter was dealt with to some extent. in a district court case that I think is very well reasoned 14 called Pacific Gamble Robinson Company vs. the Minneapolis 15 and St. Louis Railway Company. It is not cited in our briefs, by the way, and these cases I am giving you now are 17 not.

JUDGE WISDOM: What is the case?

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MR. CLARK: 92 Fed. Supp. 352, Pacific Gamble Robinson Company vs. the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway Company. There was a claim there that the Railway Company had been refusing to allow this Pacific Company to have refrigerated cars that had cost them quite a bit of money, and they got an injunction in the lower court, and then the injunction was violated, and on a contempt citation there was a fine, a recompensatory fine, of \$250,000 imposed. On the appeal or during the pendency of the appeal to the Court of Appeals, the matter was settled, and they began to let them have these refrigerated cars. They had refused to let them have them because they said there was a strike going on and their personnel would be endangered physically if they dealt with this company during the strike, and so forth, but when it came back to the District Court there were two matters to consider. One was contempt, and I am not going to deal with that phase of the opinion, because we are not there yet, but the other was this preliminary or temporary injunction that had already been issued in the District Court.

Injunction is derived from the pendency of the main action. It is ancillary thereto. And its ultimate and basic validity, as well as any contempt orders predicated thereon, necessarily depends upon the outcome of the main action.

"Circumstances have now arisen which prevent this Court from finally determining whether or not the temporary

injunction was providently granted."

And I say you are in the same position with the temporary restraining order, and, therefore, I say there is no necessity to argue its correctness vel non, because, if we devote our time and attention to the issuance now of the preliminary injunction, it would settle the other.

merits would be a determination of an abstract question. The merits of the controversy between the parties has not and cannot be determined by reason of the happening of the events which have terminated the dispute which invoked the equitable jurisdiction of this Court.

Such a termination divests the Court of any equitable grounds to proceed further, either to enforce any interlocutory orders or to enter a final decree.

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JUDGE BELL: Now you are now alluding to the merits rather than to the power of the Court to retain jurisdiction under that order of July 27-28?

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir. I say that regardless of whether you had the power to retain the jurisdiction to enter the order of the 27th or 28th, that it by its own terms has expired, and everything else in the case has got to

fall with it.

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JUDGE BELL: Suppose everything has been done that was supposed to be done.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir, and the other temporary restraining orders --

JUDGE BELL: Yes.

MR. CLARK: -- and a motion for a preliminary injunction all come to you because you have an outstanding injunction.

JUDGE JONES: Have there been some criminal proceedings dismissed?

MR. CLARK: The Meador case was dismissed.

JUDGE JONES: Have all the criminal proceedings against Meredith been dismissed?

MR. CLARK: No, sir.

JUDGE BELL: I thought you said one had.

JUDGE TUTTLE: A private action dismissed.

MR. CLARK: Enjoined but not dismissed. Judge Bell, I think, asked the question during other argument with regard to an order entered by the Judges in Hattiesburg, Judges Brown, Wisdom and Bell.

JUDGE JONES: If our injunctive orders are all now gone, Meredith is going to have to stand trial in two different courts for the same offense, I suppose?

MR. CLARK: No, sir, and that is what I am getting

ahead of me. I was going to tell you of the order that was already entered enjoining 1501, the execution of 1501, which is the Senate Bill that says if you be convicted of a crime and you enter a university, then you are also guilty of a second crime. You also enjoined in that same order the conviction of the 20th in the Fifth District in Hinds County, and you enjoined the execution of the Jones County injunction.

JUDGE JONES: All of that is gone now?

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MR. CLARK: Yes, Your Honor. I would say that under my argument that particular order would have to fall with my contention that your appellate jurisdiction for ancillary purposes goes.

JUDGE JONES: And as soon as we agree with you, they take Meredith out of the University of Mississippi and try him in Hinds County and send him to jail for how long?

MR. CLARK: Well, Judge, I'd say this --

JUDGE TUTTLE: He's been convicted for how long? I think that is what Judge Jones is asking.

JUDGE BROWN: Five Hundred and a year?

MR. CLARK: Three Hundred and a year, I believe.

I don't remembef the terms of the conviction.

JUDGE BELL: The \$300.00 is probably not too important.

MR. CLARK: I would say this: There are presently

proceedings pending in the District Court which seek to enjoin this particular action and the Senate Bill 1501.

JUDGE WISDOM: Mr. Clark, how could this order of ours be effective without a continuing injunction? I mean: Let's assume that the merits are disposed of insofar as the merits relate to whether he should be admitted to the University. How in the circumstances of this case can our judgment be made effective without a continuing injunction?

MR. CLARK: Judge, I don't know the answer to that, unless it is the answer that the District Court has already given you pursuant to your own mandate, that the injunction continues, I suppose, as long as Meredith is a student of any kind, because it doesn't specify he has to be an understructurate student at the University -- the District Court's injunction is now in full effect. It is a permanent, final injunction, and it continues, but your ancillary -- this is the point that Judge Jones makes -- is that without your ancillary preventive relief, that you are scared that the people in the State of Mississippi are going to move back in and disturb the situation.

JUDGE JONES: Well, what has been done to relieve us of that apprehension?

MR. CLARK: I don't know of any specific act that has been done in the State of Mississippi.

JUDGE JONES: Or elsewhere, except in this

courtroom?

JUDGE BELL: The District Court hasn't done anything. They haven't enjoined those same things, have they?

MR. CLARK: No, sir, because there has been no request to them, and the point I would make to this Court above all others --

JUDGE BELL: It seems everything is being litigated here. Some of these things could be handled in the District Court. You haven't been there to suggest to the District Court --

JUDGE WISDOM: They have litigated whether or not there was a policy of segregation in Mississippi in the District Court.

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir, and the District Court has further entered an order, pursuant to the mandate of this Court. There never has been anything dishonest done by either one of the district judges in the Southern District of Mississippi. They are subject to your mandate.

JUDGE WISDOM: No one is suggesting that.

MR. CLARK: The thing that amazes me is here we are before this Court of Appeals. It's the busiest circuit in the United States. You judges have got cases pending from here to you. Yet every time something comes up in this lawsuit, all the Mississippi lawyers and the Washington