

SENATOR WILL: I have not heard them say that, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. You never said, or let me ask you, did you ever say that tax money would not be used in connection with this deal?

SENATOR WILL: I...I reflected the county board's statement to me, that that was the case.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I know what they said, but did you ever state it as your opinion that tax money will not be used in connection with this deal?

SENATOR WILL: Oh, I accept that that's their pledge. No, I, personally, have not said no tax...I don't have the...I'm not in a position to say that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, but now, with the information that we have, we both know that tax money, in fact, has already been used in connection with this deal, don't we.

SENATOR WILL: We know within the context that you asked me the question, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think that the Douglas County Board members, who were saying no tax money will be used, knew that this was going to be done?

SENATOR WILL: I don't know.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you know that one of the lawyers, or some of the lawyers involved in the putting together of this deal, charged over \$100,000, maybe over \$200,000 to put this deal together? Did you know that, if you don't just...

SENATOR WILL: No, I didn't.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Did you know that the law firm has people in it who are relatives of people on the Board of Directors of Ak-Sar-Ben?

SENATOR WILL: No, I did not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. If that's the case, would that make any difference, in your opinion, about all of this?