

A Burrito is Not a Sandwich—Nacho-ly

Food fight in Massachusetts. It seems that Panera Bread Company, a soup, salad, and sandwich chain, had a restaurant located in White City Shopping Center in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. To prevent competition, Panera made sure its lease prevented the mall owner from renting space to any other sandwich shop. Qdoba Mexican Grill (owned by Jack in the Box Inc.) showed up; it planned to sell burritos and such. A lawsuit broke out between the two restaurant chains and the landlord. Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Locke, looking to the dictionary and after hearing testimony from experts (that's right, sandwich experts), ruled that a burrito is not a sandwich. Result? Qdoba wins and can open its restaurant in the mall. A delicious



decision.


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***Gary says:** I once got a telephone call from a potential client who got hurt in a fall in a movie theater. When I asked what caused the fall, he told me he fell because it was dark. What did he expect, for goodness sakes? My point is, while we should hold others responsible for their careless actions that injure us, we should not abandon the concept of personal responsibility. In our society, we're still obligated to look both ways before crossing the street and to use common sense at all times. Dear readers, I believe that many of the world's problems would be fixed if we'd stop blaming others for things that are our own fault.*



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