August 9, 1957

THE KOOTENAI TRIBE OR BAND OF INDIANS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,)
Petitioners,)
v.)
THE UNITED STATES,) Docket No. 154
Defendant.)

INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

Upon the findings of fact this day filed herein and which are hereby made a part of this Order, the Commission concludes as a matter of law;

(1) That petitioners above named have the right to maintain the claim set forth in the amended petition.

(2) That the petitioners have established their right to recover from defendant the value of the land described in Finding 8, such value to be determined as of March 8, 1859.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

(1) That the petitioners have and recover from the defendant the value of lands described in Finding 8, such value to be determined as of March 8, 1859;

(2) That the case shall proceed with proof of the acreage of said land, the value thereof and of such other matters that are necessary for a final determination of the case including proof of payments on the claim, if any, the offsets allowed by law to be postponed until the matters referred to above are disposed of.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 9th day of August, 1957.

Edgar E. Witt, Chief Commissioner
Louis J. O'Marr, Associate Commissioner
Wm. E. Holt, Associate Commissioner