

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE SKOKOMISH TRIBE OF INDIANS,	:	
	:	
Petitioner,	:	
	:	
v.	:	Docket No. 296
	:	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	
	:	
Defendant.	:	

INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

Wherefore this cause came on for hearing before the Commission and having been fully advised upon the issues presented and submitted therein for determination, the Commission finds:

(1) The petitioner is an identifiable group of American Indians within the meaning of section 2 of the Indian Claims Commission Act (60 Stat. 1050), having the capacity and right to maintain this suit; and

(2) The petitioner is the successor in interest to that group of Indians who held original Indian title to those lands described in Finding 9 and ceded under the provisions of the Point-No-Point Treaty of 1855 (12 Stat. 933).

(3) That said land was acquired by the defendant on March 8, 1859, the date of ratification of the Point-No-Point Treaty.

Therefore, upon the findings of fact this day filed herein, which are made a part of this order, it is ORDERED:

That this case proceed to a determination of the acreage of the afore-mentioned land; the consideration paid for said land by the defendant; the value thereof as of March 8, 1859, less such part petitioner may have acquired under the Point-No-Point Treaty and subsequent to 1859, if any.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 6th day of March, 1958.

Edgar E. Witt
Chief Commissioner

Louis J. O'Marr
Associate Commissioner

Wm. M. Holt
Associate Commissioner