

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE NISQUALLY TRIBE OF INDIANS,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Docket No. 197
	)	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

Upon the Findings of Fact and Opinion this day entered herein, which are hereby made a part of this order, the Commission concludes as a matter of law that,

1. The plaintiff herein, the Nisqually Tribe of Indians, a recognized tribe of American Indians, has the right and capacity under the Indian Claims Commission Act (10 Stat. 1049), to bring and maintain this suit in a representative capacity for and on behalf of the 1854 Treaty of Medicine Creek tribal entity, the Nisqually tribe or band of Indians.

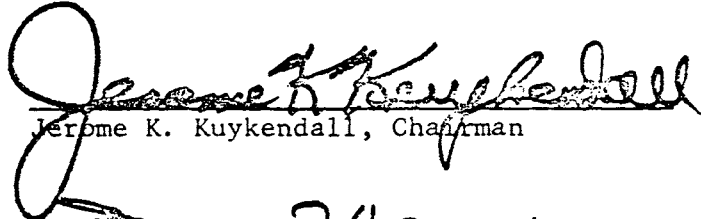
2. As of March 3, 1855, the effective date of the 1854 Treaty of Medicine Creek (7 Stat. 1132), the Nisqually tribe or band of Indians ceded to the United States its Indian title to those lands described in the Commission's Finding No. 9.

3. The plaintiff tribe has not established that as of the effective date of the 1854 Treaty of Medicine Creek, supra, the Nisqually tribe or band of Indians held Indian title to any other lands than those described in the Commission's Finding 9.

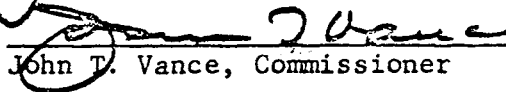
IT IS ORDERED that this case shall now proceed to a determination as to the exact acreage contained within that area described in the Commission's Finding No. 9, its fair market value as of March 3, 1855, the effective date of the 1854 Treaty of Medicine Creek, supra, the consideration, if any, paid by the United States to the Nisqually tribe or band of Indians for the ceded lands, and all other questions bearing

upon defendant's liability to plaintiff herein.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1969.



Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman



John T. Vance, Commissioner



Richard W. Yarborough, Commissioner



Margaret H. Pierce, Commissioner



Brantley Blue, Commissioner