

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE ASSINIBOINE TRIBES OF INDIANS,)	
)	
Intervenors,)	
)	
v.)	Docket No. 279-A
)	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER ALLOWING REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY'S EXPENSES

HAVING CONSIDERED the application for allowance of unreimbursed expenses filed on December 28, 1970, by Marvin J. Sonosky, Esquire, attorney of record for the Assiniboine intervenors in this docket; the defendant's response to the application filed on March 5, 1971; the contracts under which Mr. Sonosky prosecuted the claims of the said intervenors; and the remainder of the record herein, the Commission finds as follows:

1. On June 30, 1969, the Commission entered a final judgment herein in the amount of \$3,108,506.40 in favor of the Assiniboine intervenors (21 Ind. Cl. Comm. 310, 315). Funds to satisfy the judgment were appropriated by Public Law 91-665, approved January 8, 1971.

2. The defendant's response to the attorney's application reads in part as follows:

"Re: Assiniboine Tribe, Intervenors v. United States,
Docket No. 279-A, before the Indian Claims
Commission.

"We enclose a copy of a letter from the Associate Solicitor of the Department of Interior dated February 25, 1971, with an attached memorandum from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs dated February 4, 1971, showing that that department has no objection to the petition for allowance of attorney's expenses in the amount of \$1,799.46 in the above case. We know of no objection to said petition."

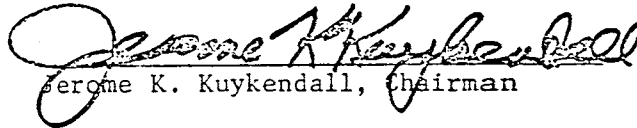
3. An appropriate notice of the filing of the attorney's application was duly sent on December 29, 1970, to the Chairman of the Assiniboine Tribes of Indians and the Chairman of the Assiniboine Treaty Claims Committee. No response to the notice has been received.

4. The attorney's contracts with his Assiniboine clients provide for reimbursement of his unreimbursed reasonable expenses out of the recovery for the Assiniboines.

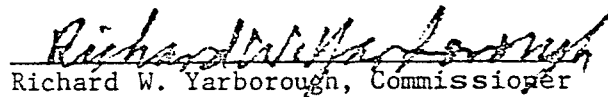
5. After an adjustment to correct a mathematical error in the total of the claimed expenses, the application is in the total amount of \$1,748.11. All of the expenses included in this adjusted total are reasonable and properly reimbursable to Mr. Sonosky.

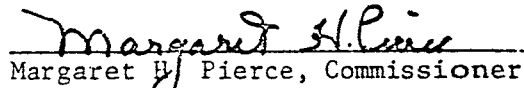
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that out of the funds appropriated to pay the aforementioned judgment in favor of the Assiniboine intervenors there shall be disbursed to Marvin J. Sonosky of Washington, D. C. the sum of \$1,748.11 as payment in full of his claim for unreimbursed expenses incurred herein in connection with the cause of the said intervenors.

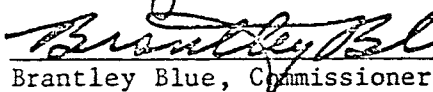
Dated at Washington, D. C., this 5th day of May 1971.


Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman

John T. Vance, Commissioner


Richard W. Yarborough, Commissioner


Margaret H. Pierce, Commissioner


Brantley Blue, Commissioner