

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS)	
and THE ABSENTEE DELAWARE)	
TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA,)	
)	
Plaintiffs.)	
)	
v.)	Docket Nos. 27-A and 241
)	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER ALLOWING REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY'S EXPENSES

HAVING CONSIDERED the application for allowance of unreimbursed expenses filed on February 24, 1972, by attorney of record for plaintiffs, Louis L. Rochmes, of counsel to the law firm of Pritzker, Pritzker and Clinton; the defendant's response to the application filed on April 17, 1972; the contracts under which plaintiffs' attorneys prosecuted the claims of said plaintiffs; and the remainder of the record herein the Commission finds as follows:

1. On November 24, 1971, the Commission entered a final judgment herein in the amount of \$435,872.86 in favor of The Delaware Tribe of Indians and The Absentee Delaware Tribe of Oklahoma (26 Ind. Cl. Comm. 387). Funds to satisfy the judgment were appropriated by Public Law 92-257, approved March 21, 1972 (85 Stat. 627).

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

"Re: Delaware Tribe and Absentee Delaware Tribe of Oklahoma v. United States, Docket Nos. 27-A and 241, before the Indian Claims Commission

In response to the petition for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of attorneys' expenses in the above cases, we enclose a copy of a letter from the Associate Solicitor of the Department of Interior dated April 5, 1972, and a memorandum from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs dated March 24, 1972. As there appears, the Department of the Interior raises no objection to either the allowance of attorneys' fees or the allowance of the claimed expenses. The Department knows of no objection to the allowance of said fees or expenses."

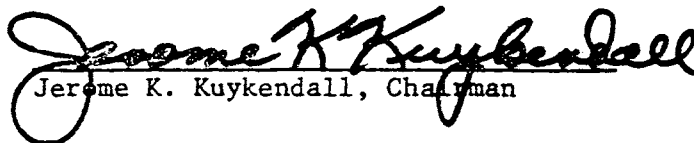
3. An appropriate notice of the filing of the attorney's application was duly sent on February 25, 1972, to chairmen of the Delaware Tribe and the chairmen of the Absentee Delaware Tribe of Oklahoma. No response to the notice has been received by the Commission.

4. The attorneys' contracts with their Delaware clients provide for the reimbursement to the attorneys of reasonable expenses incurred by them in the prosecution of the claims, as may be determined by the Indian Claims Commission.

5. The application is in the total amount of \$5,098.41. All of the expenses included in this total are reasonable and properly reimbursable to the attorneys for the plaintiff tribes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that out of the funds appropriated to pay the aforementioned judgment in favor of the Delaware Tribes there shall be disbursed to the law firm of Pritzker, Pritzker and Clinton the sum of \$5,098.41 as payment in full of their claim for unreimbursed expenses incurred herein in connection with the cause of the said plaintiffs.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 10th day of May 1972.


Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman

John T. Vance, Commissioner


Richard W. Yarborough, Commissioner


Margaret H. Pierce, Commissioner


Brantley Blue, Commissioner