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Trial Court

Pat Cornelius,

Petitioner

v.

Docket No. 05-TC-001

Date: July 20, 2005

Butch Rentmeester-Development Division, Respondent

Case Settlement

This case has come before the Oneida Appeals Commission Trial Court, Lead Judicial Officer Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding.

I Background

On June 16, 2005, a hearing was conducted to hear arguments in this case. At the hearing, the Petitioner presented the Trial Court with a written request for Traditional Peacemaking to resolve the dispute. After recessing so the parties could discuss the offer, the hearing body reconvened and learned that the Petitioner and the Respondent agreed to enter into Traditional Peacemaking to see if they could resolve this matter. The hearing body put the matter on hold pending the outcome of the Traditional Peacemaking Process. As a result of that process, an agreement was reached by the parties.

II Issue

Should this case be dismissed?

III Analysis

Yes, this case shall be dismissed.

In their decision dated June 16th 2005, the Trial Court ruled: "It is the decision of this hearing body to put this matter on hold pending the outcome of the Traditional Peacemaking Process. The parties shall be given time to resolve this matter by August 1, 2005. If this matter cannot be resolved, the parties named are required to file a status report to the Trial Court for a scheduled hearing. If this matter is resolved, this case shall be dismissed."

On July 14, 2005, the parties came to agreement. Because both parties have come to an agreement, this case is hereby dismissed. If either party breaks the agreement, either party may bring this case back to the Oneida Appeals Commission for resolution.

IV Decision

It is the decision of this Trial Court to dismiss this case without prejudice.

By the authority vested in the Oneida Appeals Commission pursuant to Resolution 8-19-91-A. by the Oneida General Tribal Council, it is so held on this 20th day of July, 2005, in the matter of Pat Cornelius vs. Butch Rentmeester-Development Division.

Leland Wigg-Ninham, Lead Judicial Officer