

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BEFORE THE MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

INLANDBOATMEN'S UNION OF	)	MEC Case No. 31-00
THE PACIFIC on behalf of	)	
R. CURTIS FANT-PAYNE,	)	
	)	
Grievant,	)	DECISION NO. 274-MEC
	)	
v.	)	
	)	ORDER OF DISMISSAL
WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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*Dennis Conklin*, Business Agent, appearing for and on behalf of the Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific and R. Curtis Fant-Payne.

Christine Gregoire, Attorney General, by *David Slown*, Assistant Attorney General, for and on behalf of Washington State Ferries.

THIS MATTER came on regularly before the Marine Employees' Commission (MEC) on August 11, 2000, when the Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific (IBU) filed a request for grievance arbitration on behalf of R. Curtis Fant-Payne. In its grievance arbitration request, IBU asserted that Washington State Ferries (WSF) improperly terminated Mr. Fant-Payne, in violation of the IBU/WSF collective bargaining agreement.

IBU certified that the grievance procedures in the IBU/WSF collective bargaining agreement had been utilized and exhausted. In addition, the union certified that the arbitrator's decision shall not change or amend the terms, conditions or application of said collective bargaining agreement and that the arbitrator's award shall be final and binding.

The request for grievance arbitration was docketed as MEC Case No. 31-00 and assigned to Chairman John D. Nelson, to act as Arbitrator. A hearing was scheduled for December 13, 2000.

On December 8, 2000, MEC received a letter from IBU requesting postponement of the hearing, to accommodate Mr. Fant-Payne's appearance before the local Puget Sound Region Executive Committee. Arbitrator Nelson agreed to postpone action on the case until IBU requested another hearing date or withdrew the grievance.

By letter on June 8, 2001, Pete Jones, IBU Regional Director, withdrew the grievance.

### ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the request for grievance arbitration, filed by IBU on behalf of R. Curtis Fant-Payne and docketed as MEC Case No 31-00, be dismissed.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June 2001.

### MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

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JOHN D. NELSON, Chairman

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JOHN P. SULLIVAN, Commissioner

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DAVID E. WILLIAMS, Commissioner