

Claim 25 yrs. ago.

3,000,000
300,000
2,700,000

Docket #75
1800 movement.
Judgement 1.3.

Paul Riley represented Seneca.

Docket #75
1785
1788
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6, 1795-1846
8. land

A faction of New York Oneidas voted to accept the settlement which has been offered to the Oneidas in the Indian Claims Commission case Docket 301. THIS WAS ON MAR. 12, 1977

\$3,300,000. is being offered as a settlement for Oneida claims against the United States.

A stipulation agreement will also be approved if the settlement is approved by today's vote.

As it is now written we will be giving up all claims against the United States forever on the lands in New York. The wording is very complicated but it also makes us agree to never appeal even if it is later determined to have been in error.

Because the rights and claims of the Tribe are in danger of being lost it is important that we all understand exactly what is being offered and what we will be giving up.

The following are questions that should be directed at the attorneys who have represented us in this case and who ^{will} explain the settlement offer:

1. DOCKET 84 was represented by your firm, Aaron, Aaron, Schimberg & Hess, to which our Tribe was a plaintiff; what was the subject of this Docket 84?
2. Was there a stipulation agreement in Docket 84? If so, what was stipulated away?
3. If the settlement in Docket 84 was approved, by whom was it approved?
4. If the procedure for approval in Docket 84 was different than what is being offered here today in Docket 301, why? What's the difference?

Questions regarding the stipulation agreement being offered in Docket 301 today.

Provision 1 states the settlement offered \$3,300,000. LESS allowable deductions, credits and off-sets, ^{none}
Council - brief 20,000

What is the total amount in figures for these deductions, credits, and offsets?

Richard Cross
Washington

10/16/1786
Washington Comm.

in Penn + Ohio

7,950,000

1/11/1848
Treaty

Exactly how much, in figures, will be left after all the deductions, credits and offsets are subtracted?

Exactly how much, in figures, are the attorney's costs for this case? How much are the attorney's fees?

How much, exactly, will be left after everything is subtracted from the amount offered?

2,956,000

How will accepting this offer affect future cases for land in New York?

How will refusal of the offer affect future cases for land in New York?

What land, specifically, in New York will be excepted from the agreement?

Does this settlement absolve the United States from wrongdoing against the Oneidas?

If the agreement is accepted, aren't we forever vindicating the actions of the United States against our Tribe?

If this is a FINAL judgment, specifically, what are we giving up?

What are your obligations as an attorney to us?

Can offsets be added on after today if the settlement is accepted?

What is the right to appeal that we are giving up?

If we reject the offer, what alternatives are available to the Tribe?

How was the figure of \$3,300,000. arrived at?

Was the vote of the New York Oneidas legal?

Can we withdraw the suit?

What happens if the other N.Y. Oneida group does not meet to vote on this?

Can we accept with our own stipulations such as stating that acceptance in no way waives our right to sue the State of New York, or that we want to remove "A" from the Docket 301 settlement?

What lands, specifically, are covered by the settlement being offered today?

What is dismissed with prejudice by accepting the offer?

These are some of the questions that should be answered and understood before any voting is done.