

effective, such evidence should have been produced at the investigative hearing. Even if the physician's note is taken into account, it does not address to the Claimant's principal wrongdoing -- his failure to notify the Carrier in advance and/or during the period of his absence. No evidence was presented that he was unable to do so if he so desired.

Under the circumstances, the Board finds no basis to question the disciplinary penalty imposed by the Carrier.

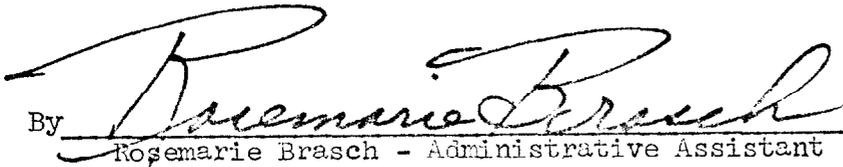
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Claim denied.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD
By Order of Second Division

Attest: Executive Secretary
National Railroad Adjustment Board

By


Rosemarie Brasch - Administrative Assistant

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 27th day of September, 1979.