PUBLIC LAW BOARD NO. 1582

PARTIES) ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY

DISPUTE) BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYEES

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Claim in behalf of former B&B Painter A. J. IcCullough, Chicago Terminal Division, for reinstatement to his Former position with seniority, vacation and all other rights unimpaired and compensation for wage loss beginning December 31, 1974.

FINDINGS: This Public Law Board No. 1582 finds that the parties negern are Carrier and Employee within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act, as amended, and that this Board has jurisdiction.

In this dispute the claimant was discharged for being absent without authority. The Board has examined the transcript of record, and the evidence shows there was sufficient cause to find claimant has guilty. Upon examining the record, the Board finds claimant had seven prior absences without authority in a two year period of time that he had worked for the Carrier. The Board finds no justification to overrule the decision of the Carrier.

/ ARD: Claim denied.

Preston J./poore, Chairman

Organization Member

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