PUBLIC LAW BOARD - NO. 3514

Case 55

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PARTIES to Consolidated Rail Corporation

and

Brotherhood of Maintenance

of Way Employes

DISPUTE:

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: That B&B Mechanic B. Colon was unjustly suspended for 60 days, that this suspension be stricken from his record, and that he be compensated for all lost time while out of the service.

FINDINGS: This dispute arose after the Carrier found the Claimant guilty of a charge that he had filed a false report regarding a personal injury sustained by him on June 23, 1981.

The record supports the Carrier's determination since the Claimant admitted making an original false statement as to what caused his injury. Accordingly, while the Board recognizes the Foreman's role in the events leading to the false report, the Claimant clearly erred. Given the importance of the controlling rules in this dispute, the discipline imposed was not unreasonable under the circumstances herein.

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The claim is denied.

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