

**CITATION: DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION v. HER MAJESTY
THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA**
COURT FILE NO: SCT-7007-11
DATE: 5/17/2012

SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL OF CANADA

Doig River First Nation

*Allisun Rana and Julie Tannahill, for the
Claimant*

Claimant

-and-

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada

*Brett C. Marleau and Naomi Wright, for the
Respondent*

Respondent

HEARD 5/15/2012 at Ottawa, Ontario

Justice G. Patrick Smith

Reasons for Endorsement

Further to the Case Management Video Conference held May 15, 2012 the following endorsements are made:

- [1] Counsel will forthwith complete disclosure of all relevant documents including all pleadings, transcripts and final submissions made at trial in the case *Blueberry River Indian Band v. Canada (Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development)* 1987 FCJ No. 1005.
- [2] Prior to the hearing of argument on this issue of whether the claim is barred by the doctrine of res judicata or by the terms of a release signed in the aforementioned Blueberry River Case, counsel will exchange and file facta and a joint book of relevant documents.
- [3] Pursuant to Section 22 of the Specific Claims Tribunal Act, the Registry shall send Notices to the Province of British Columbia and the Blueberry River Indian Band to determine if they have any interest in the claim being advanced.

- [4] A further Case Management Conference has been scheduled for July 25, 2012 at 1 p.m. EST at which time it will be determined whether the Province of British Columbia or the Blueberry River Indian Band wish to assert an interest in the claim before the Tribunal and whether a hearing of the issues may be scheduled.
- [5] The issues of validity and compensation shall be bifurcated. A hearing to determine the validity of the claim shall proceed first, before the issue of compensation is scheduled.

PATRICK SMITH

Justice G. P. Smith
Member of the Specific Claims Tribunal

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