

IN THE TRADITIONAL RIGHTS COURT  
OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

HERMON PETERSON, )  
)  
Plaintiff )  
)  
Vs. )  
)  
Leni Adding )  
)  
Defendant )  
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CIVIL ACTION NO. 2012-185

UAAK IM OPINION EO

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RO UAAN TRC PANEL EO:

WALTER K. ELBON, PRESIDING CHIEF JUDGE

NIXON DAVID, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

GRACE LEBAN, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

RAN IN RONJAKE:

JIKIN RONJAKE : MAJURO COURTHOUSE EO

**KAJJITOK KO NON TRADITIONAL RIGHTS COURT EO IKKIJEN CASE IN:**

1. Won, ikotan party kein ej Alab eo non Kirankan Wetu, Arno Atoll Republic Eo an Marshall Islands?

2. Won ikotan party kein ej Dri Jerbal (Senior Dri Jerbal ) eo non Kirankan Wetu< Arno Atoll, Republic eo an Marshall Islands?

**UAAK EO NON KAJJITOK NO. 1.:** HERMON PETERSON

**UAAK EO NON KAJJITOK NO. 2:** HERMON PETERSON

**UNIN KENONO KO:**

**ILO MNTIN MARSHALL EJIMWE KE BWE RO ILO LAJRAK IN BWIJ EO IM RO ILO LAJRAK IN BOTOKTOK EO LOLTAK REN AJI LOK MARON KO ILO JUON IAN WETO KO AER NAN RO ME ROJJAB JEN BWIJ EO AK JEN BOTOKTOK EO MENE EJ WOR WOT REJ MOUR ILO LAJRAK EO LOLTAK AN BWIJ EO AK RO ILO BOTOKTOK?**

Dri Jumae Abnono eo ilo case in Leni Adding ej claimi maron ko an alap im dri jermal ilo Kirankan Weto ilo an einwot ba bwe Linjir ear ajilok nan Lalbijet. Linjir ear belele ibben Lalbijet. Lalbijet ej jein ak eritto jen Leja. Leja ear kokajirik Leni Adding. Linjir eo me edrik jen Leben ejjelok an maron e make nan ajelok Kirankan weto nan leo belen bwe ej wor wot ro nejin Leben rej mour wot im ejjelok ilo nan in kamol ko im kein kamol ko ke ear wor juon kon ak kallimur ilo jeje ke ro nejin Leben im Linjir rar erra kin menin. Ilo kar ien ronjake eo an case in panel eo ear ronjake nan in kamol ko im etali kein kamol im lo bwe ejjab ekkar bwe Leni Adding en joleti maron ko an alap im rijermal ilo Kirankan Weto ilo Arno Atoll. Rainin Lantimur Jormelu ej irojilapap nan Kirankan weto ekkar nan lajrak eo laltak ilo menmenbwij eo kar jakemantak ak Plaintiff Exhibit A.

Ilo case in ej alikar ilo an kar panel eo lale em etale Menmenbwij eo me ej kalikar k Kirankan weto ej imon bwij jino laltak jen Libarmej. Tobo ear bok maron eo an irojilaplap jen kora eo jinen Limetto. Limetto ej bwij eo eritto jen Bwij eo an Elbor. Elbor ej kora eo jinen Linjir im Leben. Tobo einwot irojilaplap ear kejolete Linijir im Leben kin maron ko an irojrdrik, alap im dri jermal ilo Kirankan weto ilo Arno Atoll. Jortoke ear make wot nejin Linjir im Nodikko ear make wot nejin Leben. Ikkijen wot Kirankan weto, maron eo ikkijen irojilaplap ej ekkar bwe Linjir im Leben ren jolete im maron ko jet einwot irojiedrik, alap im dri jermal. Jortoka ej jidrak in bwij jen jinen Linjir ijowotke einwot k ejjelok nejin, elot bwij eo. Nodikko nejin Leben ej jidrak in botoktok im einwot k Noddiko ilo case in ej claim I wot maron ko ikkijen alap im dri jermal ejimwe im jejet bwe e im ro nejin einwot Hermon ren jolete maron kein. Rainin Lantimur Jormelu ej irojilaplap nan Kirankan weto im weto ko jet. Irojilaplap Langtimur Jormelu ej kile Hermon Peterson bwe ejimwe bwe e eo ej alap im dri jermal nan Kirankan weto rainin einwot an alikar ilo plaintiff exhibit D.

**ETAN DRI KAMOL RO AN RI ABNONO:**

1. Katip Mack
2. Katwel Jormelu
3. Hermon Peterson

**ETAN RI KAMOL RO AN RI JUMAE ABNONO: Ejjelok**

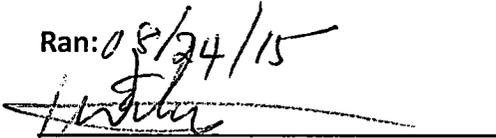
**KEIN KAMOL KO KAR BUKI:**

1. Plaintiff Exhibit A, Menmenbwij
2. Plaintiff Exhibit B, Certificate of Death of Noriko Patersen
3. Plaintiff Exhibit C, Certificate of Death of Jortoke A. Enne
4. Plaintiff Exhibit D, Affidavit of Langtimur Jormelu

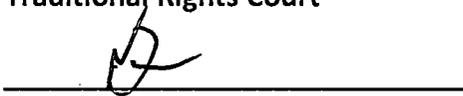
**WAWEN KO JET IM TRC PANEL EO EJ TOMAK BWE REJ AIKUJ WALOK:**

Party kein jimor rej erra bwe Kirankan weto kar imon wot Irojilaplap Tobo ak ilo Menmenbwij eo me kar jakemantak einwot kein kamol an Plaintiff im ej Plaintiff Exhibit A ej alikar bwe Tobo ej lajrak wot laltak ilo bwij eo ilo line in maron eo an irojilaplap im ej bareinwot alikar bwe ewor juon tore ear irojilaplap nan Kirankan weto im weto ko jet an bwij in laltak jen Libarmej. Tobo ilo tore eo ear kabwjer maron eo an irojilaplap ear kajolet Leben im kora eo jatin Linjir kin marron ko an iroijedrik, alap im dri jermal ilo Kirankan weto. Ej alikar bwe ear ejjelok en ear jumae karok in an. Im ekkar nan mantin Marahall Leben einwot eo eritto enaj e eo mokta. Maron kein aolep aerro jimor. Jortoka ear bok maron eo an irojilaplap nan Kirankan weto einwot ilo lajrak in bwij eo ear jino ak ejak ibben Linjir, kora eo jinen. Nodikko emaron kar jolete maron eo an iroijedrik einwot k ewor botoktok in irojij ibben, jemen, Leben ear irojilaplap nan Kirankan weto ijowotke ear kelet wot bwe en joleti maron ko an alap im dri jermal nan Kirankan weto. Kin menin ejimwe im jejet bwe leo nejin, Hemron Peterson en e eo ej bok jikin im joleti maron eo an alap im dri jermal nan Kirankan weto.

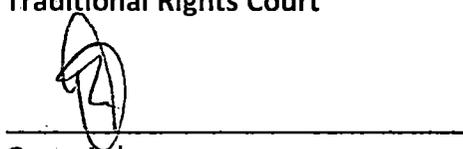
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Walter K Elbon

Presiding Chief Judge of an Panel eo  
Traditional Rights Court

  
Nixon David

Associate Judge nan panel eo  
Traditional Rights Court

  
Grace Leban

Associate Judge nan panel eo  
Traditional Rights Court