

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

PATRICK KOROK and, )  
METWA KOROK IOSIA, )  
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Plaintiff(s), )  
 )  
-vs- )  
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CHARLES DE BRUM and, )  
ALFRED ALFRED, JR., SECRETARY )  
OF FINANCE )  
 )  
Defendants, )  
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CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2011-180

MELELE KO ILO CASE IN

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RO UWAAN PANEL EO:

WALTER K. ELBON, PRESIDING CHIEF JUDGE  
NIXON DAVID, ASSOCIATE JUDGE  
GRACE LEBAN, ASSOCIATE JUDGE

RAAN IN RONJAKE: FEBRUARY 18, 21, 24, 2014 & APRIL 21, 22, and 23, 2014

JIKIN RONJAKE EO: ULIGA COURTHOUSE, MAJURO ATOLL

KAJITOK EO NON TRADITIONAL RIGHTS COURT EO IKIJEN CASE IN:

Kajitok eo kar jakemantak: WON EO IKOTAAN PATRICK KOROK IM CHARLES DE BRUM,  
EJ KABJER MARON EO AN SENIOR DRI JERBAL ILO 1/11 AJEJ KO ILO ERU ISLAND, KWAJALEIN  
ATOLL?

UAAK EO NON KAJITOK EO: PATRICK KOROK.

UNIN KENONO KO:

**Won eo ear kokajiririk Namiko ian Kurma im Joma?**

Mokarta Plaintiff eo ej ba bwe Namiko ej an Kurma kokajiriri ekkar non rikamol ro an, ak ekkar non menmenbwij ko kar kojadreik imaan Court in, einwot Defendant's Exhibit 6, 7, im 8, ej alikar bwe Kurma im Namiko rej an Joma kokajiriri.

Kin menin, Court in ej kile bwe Joma ear ejelok nejin make ak ear kokajiririk Kurma, Namiko, im Ninem, einwot an lajrak ilo menmenbwij eo an Eru Island.

### **Kurma ear ke kabjer maron in Senior Dri Jerbal alkin Joma?**

Ekkar non Naan in iakwelel ko an Plaintiff ilo jemlokin case in, ej ba bwe Kurma ear jab bok jaan eo an Senior Dri Jerbal ilo tore en mour ko an kin un eo bwe alkin an Joma jako, Adde eo nejin Kurma ear wonmanlok wot im bok maron eo ilo etan jinen, Jeikboke, kora eo edriklak jen Kurma. Ilo tore eo ear jejjot bwe Kurma en kabjer maron eo, ear jako jen mour in im jab maron bok jikin, kin menin Namiko ear wonmanlok wot im erom juon Senior Dri Jerbal iumin koj eo an Joma.

Defendant eo ear kwalok an jab erra ilo lajrak eo an Plaintiff ilo an ba bwe Adde ej nejin Kurma im bwe Jeikboke ej jatin kora. Ear ba bwe ilo mol Adde im Kurma rej jemjenjemjati im Kurma ej nejin Jeikboke.

Court in ej kile bwid in an Plaintiff eo ilo an kolajrake kadekad ko einwot an Defendant eo ba, kin menin ear wonmanlok wot in lale lajrak eo ilo menmenbwij eo, koba iben pepa in mij eo an Kurma, koba iben letter eo jen Council of Iroj non Secretary eo an Finance (Defendant's Exhibit 9), eo im ej kemlet bwe Namiko eo ej bok koj eo an Joma ilo 1994 eo. Ekkar non melele kein Court in ej maron loe bwe Kurma ear jako jen mour in ilo tore in im Namiko ear jino bok koj eo an Senior Dri Jerbal iumin Joma.

### **Won eo Irojlaplap eo ej kile?**

Defendant eo ear kolajrak e pepa ko im rej kwalok bwe Irojlaplap Anjua Loeak ej kile Charles deBrum einwot juon eo ej kabjer maron eo an Senior Dri Jerbal ilo lajrak in ajej eo ikijen Joma. Ear bareinwot kwalok Minute in Kwelok ko an Koba Maron Committee eo im ej lorlorjake jermal ko an Mojen eo an Irojlaplap Anjua Loeak, ko im rej kemlet bwe rej kile Charles deBrum. Ilo kar naan in kamol ko an Iroj Kotak Loeak, eo jatin Irojlaplap Loeak, ear ba bwe ekkar non Irojlaplap eo jein, Charles deBrum eo ej kabjer maron in kenono kake rainin. Ear bareinwot ba Irojlaplap Loeak ear jab kile Kurma itok wot jen an kar makitkit ko ilo CA 55/77.

Plaintiff eo ear ba bwe ilo an Irojlaplap Anjua Loeak, kobalak iben Koba Maron Committee eo kile Defendant eo einwot juon eo ej kabjer maron in kenono kake ej juon wawen eo ejab ekkar non Manit kinke ejanin tore eo an Defendant in non kabjer maron in kenono kake.

Court in ej kile im kautej karok im jemlok ko an Irojlaplap Anjua ilo jikin kein an einwot ilo case in. Ijo wot ke Court in ej bareinwot kile bwe case in ear jadre imaan, itok wot jen an party ko ilo case in jab maron erra iben dron kin juon karok eo im emoj an Irojlaplap eo karoke ekkar non

kein kamol ko. Inem Court in ear aikuj etale menmenbwij eo im lajrak in jolete maron eo an Senior DriJermal iumin Joma. Ekkar non menmenbwij eo an Eru Island, Kwajalein Atoll, ej alikar bwe Joma ear ejelok nejin make ak ear wor wot jilu an kokajiriri im ruo iaer rej Kurma, eo erito im Namiko eo edriklok. Court in ej bareinwot erra bwe ekkar bwe Namiko en e eo ilo tore eo kar an non kabjer maron einwot ke leo jein, Kurma, emoj an kar jako mokta jen an maron kar kabjere. Court in ej kile bwe alkin Namiko inem ejimwe bwe en wanlaltak non ajri ro im ej ijino jen ajri ro nejin Kurma, eo erito, inem alkin enaj etal non ro nejin Namiko, eo edriklok ekkar non Manit. Ikijen kenono ko kin CA 55/77, Court in ej loe bwe ear jab bwe kein kamol melele ko, im ear bareinwot lo bwe Irojlaplap Anjua Loeak ear kile Kurma kinke ilo juon tore ear kile Patrick Korok ilo an jab watok CA 55/77.

### **Won eo Alab eo ej kile?**

Ilo naan in kamol ko an imaan Court in, Alab Betri Langijota ear ba bwe ej kile Charles deBrum bwe e eo ej kabjer maron eo an Senior DriJermal iumin Joma ekkar non ajeje ko jonoul juon (11). Ekkar non Alab Langijota, Charles ekartata kinke ej jen wot botoktok eo ilo Eru Island einwot ke ej nejin Joji eo nejin Emri, eo nejin Lare.

Mekarta ear wor kenono ko ikijen maron eo an Alab Betri Langijota ikotaan party kein ruo, ak Court in ear jab eoroni kin un in bwe case in ej ikijen wot maron eo an Senior DriJermal im jab maron ko jet. Ijo wot ke Court in ear bar bedbed wot ion menmenbwij eo im loe bwe aje in case in ej kenono kake ejab jelet koj eo an Joji ak ejelet wot koj eo an Senior DriJermal iumin Joma. Kin menin Court in ej kile bwe mekarta Charles deBrum ej jolet iumin ruo koj ko, einwot eo an Namiko jen Joma, im kab eo an Joji jen Emri, ak case in ejelet wot koj eo an iumin Namiko, eo im ear juon kokajiriri einwot Kurma.

### **ETAN DRI KAMOL RO AN RI LIAKELOK:**

1. Darlene Korok
2. Metwa Korok
3. Patrick Korok

### **ETAN DRI KAMOL RO AN RI JUMAE:**

1. Charles deBrum
2. Betry Langijota
3. Kotak Loeak

#### **KEIN KAMOL KO KAR BUKI:**

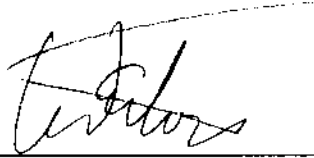
1. Plaintiff's Exhibit A – Certification of Traditional Successor
2. Plaintiff's Exhibit B – CA 1987-12, JUDGEMENT
3. Plaintiff's Exhibit C – Kwajalein Payment, MOF File
4. Plaintiff's Exhibit D – Family Tree of the Plaintiff
5. Defendant's Exhibit 1 – Allocation Agreement In Re The Kwajalein Atoll Land Use Agreement
6. Defendant's Exhibit 2 – Office of the Secretary Memorandum of June 16, 2008
7. Defendant's Exhibit 3 – Irojlaplap Anjua Loeak's Melim Non Jolok Im Kajimwe
8. Defendant's Exhibit 4 – Koba Maron Minutes of Meeting, September 17, 2010
9. Defendant's Exhibit 5 – Koba Maron Minutes in Kwelok, November 7, 2011
10. Defendant's Exhibit 6 – Menmenbwij eo an Eru Island
11. Defendant's Exhibit 7 – Eru Kwajalein 'Karokan Bwij Ko Rej Dri Jolet
12. Defendant's Exhibit 8 – Menmenbwij an Lanumko
13. Defendant's Exhibit 9 – Council of Iroj letter to Michael Konelios, Secretary of Finance of May 12, 1994
14. Defendant Exhibit 10 – Birth Certificate of Charles deBrum
15. Defendant's Exhibit 11 – Jejenmur (M)+Jinien (F) – Namdrik (Menmenbwij)
16. Defendant's Exhibit 12 – ENMAAT Menmenbwij
17. Defendant's Exhibit 13 – Certificate of Live Birth for Namiko Korok

#### **WAWEN KO JET PANEL EO EJ TOMAK BWE REJ AIKUJI WALOK:**

Juon ian un ko Court in ear kile bwe Kurma ear juon eo kar kile bwe ej rijolete Senior Drijerbal maron eo iumin Joma ej walok ilo kein kamol Defendant's Exhibit 4, eo im ej juon memo jen Koba Maron ikijen Minute in Kwelok eo im ear koman jotenin Wednesday, September 16, 2010. Ilo lajrak eo kemlet ilo minute in kwelok In, rej einwot jet un ko im Charles deBrum ej kwalok aurok in itok eo aer. Ekar non item #1 ilo minute in ej ba, "Lor wot kalimur eo ear ijino iben Mr. Kurma liktak im itok wot nan ipen jinen (Namiko deBrum ak boreinwot itok non na (Charles deBrum) rainin"...ilo an kalimjok naan kein ilo item #1, Court in ej kile bwe Kurma ear kobalok wot ilo lajrak in kalimur ak jolet einwot kemlet ilo melele kein.

Mekarta ear lon kenono ko kin maron ko jet im lajrak ko jet ak Court in ear kalimjoke wot lajrak in jolet in maron eo an Senior Drijerbal iumin Joma im laltak non Namiko ekkar non Menmenbwij eo einwot an kar itok, im Court in ear bedbed wot ion tomak in bwe ej aikuj tiljek im mol an etale karok ko ekkar non Menmenbwij eo an Eru Island im ekkar non Mani eo. Court in ej rie melele eo bwe karok eo eutejtata ilo bwidrej ej itok jen Iroj eo, ijelokin wot ne ro uwaan juon bamle ak nukin rejab maron erra iben dron inem ej itok non Court in non etale tarlep in unin iakwelel ko im bedbed e uwaak eo an ekkar non lajrak ko kemlet ilo menmenbwij eo im ekkar non Mani. Non kojemloke, Court in ej bar rejan bamle kein bwe iakwe wot dron im jela nae dron einwot ke ej Mani eo in.

Raan: 10/09/14



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