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TAKBAR ISHIGURO,)	CIVIL ACTION NO. 2012-212
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
VS.)	
)	<u>KOLMENLOKJEN IM UWAK KO AN TRADITIONAL</u>
KALEMEN JINUNA,)	<u>RIGHTS COURT</u>
)	
Defendant.)	
)	

RO UWAAN PANEL EO: Presiding Judge Grace Leban
 Associate Judge Nixon
 Pro tem Judge Risi Graham

JIKIN IM RAAN IN RONJAKE EO AN CASE IN: Majuro Courthouse, June 14-15, 2016

IAKWELEL KO AN PARTY KO:

Naan in iakwelel ko an ri-abnono in rej ba bwe ilo kar September 5, 2012 eo, ri-jumae abnono in Kalemen Jinuna ear je lok juon letter non Takeo Ishiguro, ladrik eo nejin ri-abnono eo Takbar Ishiguro, im kojelaik e bwe en komakut aoleb men ko mweien jen juon imon jokwe ilo Jienbel Weto ilo Laura kinke ej bojjak in rube imon jokwe in ilo October 9. Alkin an kar loe letter eo, Takeo Ishiguro ear kajitok iben Kalemen Jinuna bwe en jab rube imon jokwe in kinke ej imon Takbar Ishiguro im leo iben im emoj an jako jen mour in, Molik Ishiguro. Kalemen Jinuna ear jiron lok Takeo Ishiguro ke imweo ilo Jienbel Weto ejab imon Takbar Ishiguro ak leo kar iben, Molik Ishiguro, im ilo October 9, 2012 eo, Kalemen Jinuna ear rube imon jokwe in im kalek juon imon, juon imon biliat, im juon imon kwalkwol koi m rej an make ilo ijin.

Naan in iakwelel ko an ri-jumae abnono in rej ba bwe bamle eo an rej kabjer maron eo an ri-herbal ion Jienbel Weto. Ej ba un eo bwe en kar maron rube imon jokwe in im ejelok en ear arose ion bwidrej in, eo im ejab imon ri-abnono in, ear juon menin aikuj, im ear komane wawen in ikijen eddo ko an iumin manit einwot juon Senior Dri-Jerbal non Jienbel Weto.

KAJITOK KO LETOK NON TRC JEN HIGH COURT EO:

- Kajitok No. 1: Ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna ear ke juon Senior Dri-Jerball ion Jienbel Weto, Laura Village, Majuro Atoll, Republic eo an Marshall Islands ilo tore in ear ejak abnono in?
- Kajitok No. 2: Ilo mantin Majol, ejmwe ke bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna en kar rube imwin kajitok kake ilo an kar jab bok melim jen ri-abnono eo einwot juon eo imon mwin?
- Kajitok No. 3: Ilo mantin Majol, ejimwe ke bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna en kar rube imwin kajitok kake ilo an jab Alab eo kemelimi?
- Kajitok No. 4: Elane ear jab jimwe bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna en rube imon joke in, ta eo ejimwe im jejjot ekkar non manit?

UWAAK:

- Uwaak No. 1: Jaab, ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna ear jab juon Senior Dri-Jerbal ion Jienbel Weto, Laura Village, Majuro Atoll ilo tore eo ear koman abnono in.
- Uwaak No. 2: Jaab, ejab jejjot bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna en kar rubwe imon jokwe in ilo an jab bok melim jen ro imweor mwin.
- Uwaak No. 3: Jaab, ejab jejjot iumin mantin Majol bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna en kar rube imon jokwe in ilo an jab Alab eo kemelimi im jab erra iben.
- Uwaak No. 4: Ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna ej aikuj kar kenono iben Alab eo an Jienbel Weto im armij eo imon mwin non koman karok im kwon ko mokta jen an rube imon jokwe in.

MELELE KO REMOL IM KOLMENLOKJEN IM UWAAK KEIN REJ BEDBED ION:

Kein kamol Plaintiff Exhibit P-4, Menmenbwij eo an bwijin Rakko, ej kwalok bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna ejab e eo ej Senior Dri-Jerbal ilo tore in ion Jienbel Weto, botab ej driktakin. Melelein bwe ewor ro lok imaan in Kalemen Jinuna im rej mour wot im erro rej kabjer maron eo an Senior Dri-Jerbal. Ilo naan in kamol ko an imaan court in, Hermon Napkin, Alab eo kio an Jienbel Weto, ear kwalok bwe ri-jumae abnono ej juon ri-jerbal, botab ejab e eo ej Senior Dri-Jerbal ilo Jienbel Weto. Iroj edrik eo an Jienbel Weto, Vincent Muller, ear bareinwot kwalok an naan in kamol bwe Kalemen Jinuna ejab juon Senior Dri-Jerbal ilo tore in ion Jienbel Weto.

Panel eo an court in ej lo bwe ejab jejjot bwe ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna enkar rube imon jokwe in ilo an jab armij eo imon mwin jab erra. Ilo naan in kamol ko an Takeo Ishiguro, maan eo nejin Molik Ishiguro, ear ba bwe ear loe juon letter jen ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna, eo ej ba bwe ej bojak in

rube imweo imon Takeo Ishiguro lo October 9 (Plaintiff Exhibit P-1). Ishiguro ear bareinwot ba bwe ear jiron lok Jinuna ke enjab rube imweo kinke e, Jinuna, ear jab kalek mweo. Ri-jumae abnono Jinuna ear ba tok alik imaan court in ke ear kanuj lab aero kar Ishiguro kenono im akwel e dron im bwe ear jiron lak Ishiguro ke ejab imon mwin. Jinuna ear bareinwot kwalok imaan court in ke alkin aero kar Ishiguro akwel ear kanuj inebata im enin ej unin an kar rube imon jokwe in.

In his testimony, alab eo an Jienbel Weto, Hermon Napkin, ear kwalok ke ri-jumae abnono Jinuna ear jibadrok lak im kajitok ne emaron rube imon jokwe in. Alab Napkin ear kwalok ke ear jab erra iben Jinuna ilo an ton rube imon jokwe in im ear jiron lak ri-jumae abnono Jinuna melele kein, “enaj kijkan ao maron rube imon jokwe in ke ro lak imaan rar jab rube...”. Court in ej erra ke enaj kar jejjot lak elane ri-jumae abnono Jinuna en kar bok melim eo jen Alab eo mokta jen an kar rube imon jokwe in.

Ej tomak eo an court in bwe ekkar non manit, ejjejot im jimwe bwe juon en kojelaik im bok melim an Iroj ak Iroj edrik eo, im Alab eo non an maron rube juon imon jokwe, elabtata elane imon jokwe eo ejjab imon armij eo ej ton rube. Ri-jumae abnono Jinuna en kar komane juon kwon iben Iroj edrik eo, Alab eo, im armij eo imon imwin ikijen lemnak eo an non rube imon jokwe in ilo Jienbel Weto.

MANIT IM IMINENE KO REJ BOK JIKIOR ILO CASE IN:

Berberijin berberjen- berberjinma wot kwe – Ber ijin, ber ijon. Ejelok jorren bwe jej juon wot. Jej juon wot mekarta juon eber ijon ak juon eber ijin. (Kabua, 1993)

KEIDI MANIT IBEN MELELE KO REMOL:

Ilo naan in kamol ko an, ri-jumae abnono in Kalemen Jinuna ear kwalok ke ej watok e make juon Senior Dri-Jerbal kinke e wot uwaan bwij eo ej jokwe ilo Jienbel Weto iumin iio lonlon kein, im bwe ilo tore in e wot ej komani tartok in bebe ko non Jienbel Weto, ko non kabun im bareinwot ilo jukjuk im bed eo. Ekkar non Jinuna, Senior Dri-Jerbal eo ejab jokwe ion bwidej in im ejab koman bebe ko non kabun im jukjuk im bed eo ilo etan Jienbel Weto. Im kin un kein, ri-jumae abnono Jinuna ej watok e make bwe ej juon Senior Dri-Jerbal ion Jienbel Weto.

Court in ej lo bwe ri-jumae abnono Jinuna ejab e eo ej Senior Dri-Jerbal ekkar non an make ba kinke ekkar non mantin Majol ej make kalikar bwe ekkar non melele eo an Jinuna, manit in, *berberijin, berberijon, berberjinma wot kwe*. Jekdron ia eo ej ber ie, ak elane Senior-Dri Jerbal eo ejab bed ion bwidrej eo, ak jerbal im lale bidrej eo, ri-jerbal ro driktakin renaj bok eddo ikijen.

RIKAMOL RO:

Rikamol ro an ri-abnono eo:

1. Takeo Ishiguro
2. Hermon Napkin
3. Josepha Maddison
4. Vincent Muller
5. Takbar Ishiguro

Rikamol ro an ri-jumae eo:

1. Kalemen Jinuna

KEIN KAMOL KO:

Kein kamol ko an ri-abnono eo:

1. Plaintiff Exhibit 3A – Picture of house on Jienbel Weto
2. Plaintiff Exhibit 3B – Picture of Molik’s Ishiguro’s house
3. Plaintiff Exhibit P4 – Genealogy Chart
4. Plaintiff Exhibit 5A – Plaintiff Exhibit 1 – Letter from Kalemen Jinuna to Takeo Ishiguro
5. Lobonju’s Will (Marshallse)
6. Plaintiff Exhibit 5B – Lobonju’s Will (English)

Kein kamol ko an ri-jumae abnono eo:

1. Defendant Exhibit D-1 – Notice of Who is the Senior Dri-Jerbal on Loelen Weto, Uliga (6/8/12)

MELELE KO JET PANEL IN EJ TOMAK REKAR NON KWALOKI:

Ri-jumae abnono Kalemen Jinuna ear ba ilo court ke Takeo Ishiguro kab jinen im jemen ejab imweor mwin im ear rube ilo Jienbel Weto. Ear kwalok bwe imweo ej imon Jemba, lollap eo wuleben Molik. Ekkar non Takbar Ishiguro, alkin kar no eo ilo 1979, and after the death of Jemba, leo iben, Molik Ishiguro ear kalek bar juon imon jokwe non bok jikin imweo imon kar Jemba. Takbar Ishiguro ear ba bwe erro kar jab Molik jokwe imwin, botab erro kar lelok bwe Peace Corp. en kojerbale ilo aer kollaik wonen aer kojerbale. Alkin erro kar lelok bwe juon kora etan Tana John, eo im ej nukun Molik en jokwe imwin im alal non erro.

Ilo naan in kamol ko an, ri-jumae abnono Jinuna ear kwalok ke ejelok Iroj edrik ilo Jienbel Weto. Naan in kamol ko an Josepha Maddison, Alab Hermon Napkin, im Vincent Muller rej ba bwe kar Iroj eo Lobonju

ear komane juon an naan in Kalimur (Plaintiff Exhibit 5A/5B) im ba bwe maron eo an einwot juon Iroj edrik en etal non Liene im ro nejin. Menmenbwij (Plaintiff Exhibit P4) j kwalok bwe leo nejin Liene, Henry Muller ej jemen Vincent Muller. Ekkar non naan in kamol ko, Henry Muller ear bar kabjor maron an Iroj edrik.

Raan: July 6, 2016

Presiding Judge Grace Leban, Traditional Rights Court

Judge Nixon David, Traditional Rights Court

Pro Tem Judge Risi Graham, Traditional Rights Court