



Issue Date: 06 June 2005

Case No. 2004-AIR-35

In the Matter of

ROBERT MAY
Complainant

v.

TRANS MERIDIAN AIRLINES
Respondent

DECISION AND ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT

This proceeding arises under the provisions of Section 519 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, 49 U.S.C. 42121, and its implementing regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 1979. A hearing scheduled for May 16–20, 2005 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania was continued when the parties notified me that they had reached a settlement and desired my approval of the agreement. The parties notified this office on May 13, 2005 that they had reached settlement terms that day. On May 16, 2005, the parties submitted their signed agreement by e-mail to this office. That document is misdated April 26, 2005.

My review of the settlement agreement is limited to a determination of whether its terms are fair, adequate, reasonable, and not contrary to the public interest. I observe that the parties in this case were represented by counsel, that a series of two payments to Complainant from Respondent will conclude on July 15, 2005, and that the terms of the agreement address the interests of both parties. Further, I find that the agreement is not contrary to the public interest.

After reviewing the Agreement, I have concluded that the settlement terms are a fair, adequate and reasonable resolution of the Complainant's AIR 21 complaint. Accordingly, the settlement agreement of the Complainant, Robert May, and Respondent, Trans Meridian Airlines, Inc., is hereby **approved**, and this matter is **dismissed** with prejudice.

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MICHAEL P. LESNIAK
Administrative Law Judge