



Issue Date: 15 September 2017

Case No.: 2017-AIR-00012

In the Matter of:

JOHN CALLENDER

Complainant

v.

ALASKA AIRLINES, INC.

Respondent

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSING CLAIM

This matter arises under the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (“AIR 21” or “the Act”) which was signed into law on April 5, 2000. The Act includes a whistleblower protection provision, with a U.S. Department of Labor (“DOL”) complaint procedure.^{1,2} Implementing Regulations are at 29 C.F.R. Part 1979. .

On September 12, 2017 by email, Complainant’s counsel submitted the parties’ Joint Motion to Approve the Settlement Agreement; Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support of Joint Motion for Approval of the Settlement Agreement; and the Settlement Agreement.

This Tribunal finds that the proposed Settlement Agreement is proper, and approves it in its entirety.

Order

1. The parties’ motion to approve their Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release is GRANTED.

¹ Pub. L. 106-181, tit. V, § 519(a), Apr. 5, 2000, 114 Stat. 145. *See* 49 U.S.C. § 42121.

² Although the original complaint included a SOX claim, the Tribunal previously dismissed the SOX claim as untimely. *See* Order of May 31, 2017. Therefore, the Settlement Agreement and this accompanying order will not address this complaint.

2. The proposed Settlement Agreement is fair and reasonable as to the claims under the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century. None of the terms are against the public interest. The proposed Settlement Agreement is APPROVED, and the parties are ORDERED to comply with its terms.

This matter is DISMISSED with prejudice.

SO ORDERED

SCOTT R. MORRIS
Administrative Law Judge

Cherry Hill, New Jersey