



Report to the IAM Executive Committee

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Although the future brings us many challenges, this past year has been rather calm from a legal viewpoint. Without going into complete detail, the following are the principal activities in which I have been engaged:

1. Jim Fitzgerald, the former Director of Audits for GSA, advised that he would charge back all carriers for all shipments on which a surcharge was billed for expenses incurred for complying with ramped-up inspections put in place at military installations after he took care of Code J and T shipments. I am pleased to tell you that last week the Judge, in a case brought on behalf of five baggage carriers, members of IAM, directed the government to pay back the monies offset. As a result that exposure has now been eliminated.
2. I attended and participated in conference calls and meetings of the Executive Committee, including the meeting of August 11 and 12 held in Denver.
3. I reviewed and made suggestions on the computer software contract with ACGI.
4. I reviewed and commented on the Federal Maritime Commission's investigation of household goods NVOCCs in FMC Finding 27.
5. I participated in the development of procedures implementing IAM's Code of Ethics.
6. I responded to several of the president's requests for legal guidance.
7. I advised on action to be taken in respect to a request for expulsion of an IAM member.
8. I have monitored and given advice on the FMC's new exemption for tariff rate filing by NVOCCs.
9. I have given suggestions on SDDC's proposed lifting of the moratorium on new entrants into the DoD Personal Property Program.
10. I have been engaged in discussions on SDDC's proposed application of CFAC to the domestic procurement.
11. I have reviewed and commented on the STB's regulation modifying the released rates order which has now been limited to domestic shipments.
12. I represented the president in a subpoena issued in a case pending in the federal district court in Virginia.
13. I continue to review all agreements with hotels and convention centers.
14. I have reviewed the international TOS and the DPS Business Rules.

If any member has any questions on matters within my competence, please do not hesitate to email Terry Head or me.

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