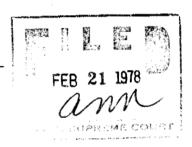
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

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Case No. <u>51, 266</u>

PETITIONER-APPELLEE'S REPLY TO RESPONDENT-APPELLANT'S INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL



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STATEMENT OF JURISDICTION

The Petitioner-Appellee has no objections to the Statement of Jurisdiction as set out by the Respondent-Appellant in the Respondent-Appellant's Interlocutory Appeal.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The Petitioner-Appellee has no objections to the Statement of the Case as set out by the Respondent-Appellant in the Respondent-Appellant's Interlocutory Appeal.

ARGUMENT

THIS COURT SHOULD ENTER A STAY OF THESE PROCEEDINGS PENDING THE FINALITY OF THE BRUMBAUGH DECISION.

The Petitioner herein respectfully admits that Petitioner did, on January 23, 1978, enter into a joint motion for Stay of Proceedings as set out in Respondent's brief; however, since the execution of the joint motion this Court's Referee has informally denied the joint motion and has indicated a desire to proceed to final hearing in this matter.

The Petitioner is ready, willing and able to proceed pursuant to the Referee's request, and therefore cannot joint in this Interlocutory Appeal.

Petitioner would respectfully point out to the Court that final hearing in this cause is not set until March 6, 1978, and there remains ample time for settlement discussions between the parties prior to final hearing and Petitioner respectfully feels that there is no need to continue final hearing in this cause in order to effect a settlement.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been furnished to the Honorable P.B. Revels, Referee, P.O. Box 250, Palatka, Florida 32077, Albert J. Hadeed, Esquire, 115 Northeast Seventh Avenue, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32601, and to Alan B. Morrison, Esquire, 2000 "P" Street, N.W. Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036, Attorneys for Respondent, by US Mail, this 20th day of February, 1978.