



Issue Date: 25 April 2013

Case No.: 2012-FRS-00068

In the Matter of:

**THOMAS CRAWFORD,
Complainant,**

v.

**ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD,
Respondent.**

SETTLEMENT ORDER DISMISSING CASE

The above-captioned matter was brought pursuant to the Federal Rail Safety Act, 49 U.S.C. § 20109 ("FRSA"), as amended by Section 1521 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 ("9/11 Act"), Pub. L. No. 110-53. (Aug. 3, 2007) and Section 419 of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (RSIA), Pub. L. No. 110-432 (Oct. 16, 2008).

On March 4, 2013, I received notice that the parties had reached a settlement in the case. On April 19, 2013, I received a Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement and an executed copy of the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims. My review of the Settlement Agreement and Release is pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 1981.111(d)(2).

I have reviewed the terms of the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims. I note that both parties were represented by experienced counsel in all phases of this proceeding. Furthermore, Mr. Crawford represents that he has read and understands the agreement.

Mr. Crawford represents that he enters the agreement knowingly and voluntarily. Therefore, the settlement agreement between Thomas Crawford and the Illinois Central Railroad in Case No. 2013-FRS-00068 is **APPROVED**. Case No. 2013-FRS-00068 is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.

SO ORDERED.

STEPHEN M. REILLY
Administrative Law Judge