

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES
Washington, DC**

*Issue Date: 17 May 2023*In the Matter of:

RAMON GARCIA,
Complainant,

v.

**PALLET CONSULTANTS CORP.,
ET AL,**
Respondents.

**OALJ Case No: 2022-STA-00066
OSHA Case No.: 4-2950-21-172**

**FINAL ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSING THE
COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE**

This proceeding arises under the employee-protection provisions of the Surface Transportation & Assistance Act (STAA), 49 U.S.C. § 31105, as amended, 1 and the regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 1978.

On May 17, 2023, counsel for the Complainant filed an Unopposed Motion to Approve Settlement and Dismiss Proceeding with Prejudice (“Motion”) and attached an executed settlement by the parties. The Motion stated:

Complainant Ramon Garcia, by his undersigned attorney, moves the Court to approve the settlement set forth in the attached signed settlement agreement, and to dismiss these proceedings with prejudice and without fees or costs to other parties. The undersigned represents that the settlement embodied in the settlement agreement is fair, adequate, and reasonable. The undersigned further represents that he has conferred with Respondent’s counsel Jeffrey Goodz, and that this motion is unopposed.¹

¹ Motion at 1.

I have reviewed the Motion and executed Settlement Agreement and conclude the parties' settlement is reasonable, adequate and fair. Consequently, I shall dismiss the complaint. Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the parties' settlement is **APPROVED** and that the complaint is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.

SO ORDERED.

HEATHER C. LESLIE
Administrative Law Judge
Washington, DC