

West Coast DX

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Special

The ARRL in a letter to its Directors dated July 9, 1968, released the information on the settlement of the Don Miller, W9WNV, lawsuit which settlement had previously been reported in the WEST COAST DX BULLETIN. The text of the letter follows:

On June 15, 1968, Dr. Donald W. Miller, W9WNV, signed an agreement to withdraw his lawsuit against the League and me, contingent upon ratification of its terms by the Board of Directors and upon action of the Awards Committee to grant credit for certain of his 1968 DXpedition operations, which had been properly documented and concerning which the Committee had received no unresolved complaints. The matter was submitted to the Directors, per instructions of the executive Committee, under the terms of Article 6, and as of July 1 more than the required 60% (11 in favor, 5 opposed) of Directors had voted to approve the agreement.

As this matter was originally handled with officers and directors only, at the recommendation of the General Counsel and the instructions of the President, it is appropriate now to provide a bit of background on developments which led to the agreement. Much of what follows has been furnished me by General Counsel Booth or President Denniston.

From the very outset of the litigation, Special Counsel James J. Brosnahan, of the firm of Cooper, White & Cooper, San Francisco, Edward F. Peck K6AN, as Co-Counsel and General Counsel Booth shared the view that the taking of Dr. Miller's deposition at the earliest possible moment was most desirable to acquaint his attorneys fully with the true facts concerning certain of his DXpeditions and his representations to the Awards Committee and the Directors. They believed the possibility was great that the litigation would be terminated by Dr. Miller once certain basic facts were known to all interested parties.

The taking of Dr. Miller's deposition was begun on Tuesday, June 11, in Hartford, and continued for the better part of three days. Some of the facts developed by Mr.

