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**COPYRIGHT ROYALTY TRIBUNAL**

(Docket No. CRT 84-1 83CD)

**1983 Cable Royalty Distribution Proceeding**

**AGENCY:** Copyright Royalty Tribunal

**ACTION:** Notice of Prehearing Conference

**SUMMARY:** The Copyright Royalty Tribunal will hold a prehearing conference to discuss scheduling and other procedural matters regarding the 1983 royalty distribution proceeding.

This prehearing conference is being held at the request of various copyright owners.

**DATE:** The prehearing conference will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 26, 1985.

**ADDRESS:** The prehearing conference will be held at 1111 20th Street, N.W., Room 458, Washington, D.C. 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marianne Mele Hall, Chairman, Copyright Royalty Tribunal, 1111 20th Street, N.W., Room 450, Washington, D.C. 20036, 202-653-5175

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

In its October 1, 1984 notice the Copyright Royalty Tribunal (Tribunal) requested comments on (1) whether a controversy existed with regard to the distribution of 1983 cable royalties; (2) scheduling the 1983 royalty distribution proceeding; and (3) the procedures to be followed in that proceeding. Comments were submitted by interested Copyright Owners on November 15, 1984. The Tribunal subsequently received from outside counsel, retained by the Tribunal, a report recommending the adoption of certain procedural suggestions for the conduct of the cable royalty distribution proceedings.

The Copyright Owners' comments demonstrated that controversy does exist with regard to the 1983 fund. The comments also revealed areas of agreement and areas of disagreement respecting the scheduling of and other procedural matters concerning the 1983 case.

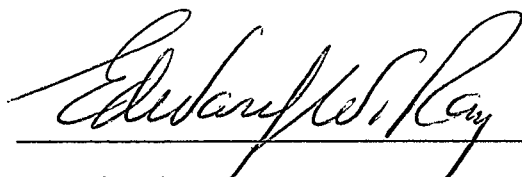
By letter dated March 1, 1985, the Copyright Owners jointly requested the Tribunal to hold an on-the-record prehearing conference for the purpose of considering issues raised by the November 15 comments. They further requested that the Tribunal, at the prehearing conference or as soon thereafter as possible, adopt a schedule for and set of procedures governing the 1983 proceeding.

The Tribunal believes that the prehearing conference requested by the Copyright Owners would assist in the efficient conduct of

the 1983 royalty distribution proceeding. Accordingly, it will hold such a conference beginning at 10:00 a.m. on March 26, 1985. As soon thereafter as is possible, the Tribunal will (1) determine when it will declare a controversy over the 1983 fund within the meaning of Section 111(d)(5)(B) of the Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. Section 111(d)(5)(B); (2) establish a schedule for the 1983 royalty distribution proceedings; and (3) adopt a set of procedures which will govern that proceeding. In order to narrow the issues that need to be resolved at the prehearing conference, the Copyright Owners are hereby directed to provide the Tribunal, no later than March 19, 1985 with a single joint memorandum identifying (1) each of the procedural proposals (including scheduling) which any party wishes the Tribunal to consider adopting; and (2) the positions of each of the parties with respect to each such proposal.

The Copyright Owners have further requested the Tribunal to release the report on procedures prepared by outside counsel. The Tribunal believes it would be useful for the parties to have access to the relevant portions of the report in formulating their positions and the joint memorandum described above. Accordingly, copies of those portions of the report which the Tribunal has decided to release are available at the Tribunal offices.

Dated: March 4, 1985

  
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Commissioner Edward W. Ray  
Acting Chairman



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NOTICE

SUNSHINE ACT MEETING

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TIME AND DATE: 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 1986

PLACE: Room 458, 1111 20th Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C. 20036

SUBJECT: Ascertainment of best accounting method for the  
distribution of the cable copyright fund. The question  
arises from the Tribunal decision to create the basic,  
3.75% and syndex funds.

STATUS: Open

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Cassler, General  
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Edward W. Ray, Chairman

Dated: March 18, 1986

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Edward W. Ray,

*Chairman.*

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IN THE MATTER OF                    }  
1983 Cable Royalty                }  
Distribution Proceeding}          


Docket No. 84-1-83CD

ORDER

On March 12, 1986, the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) filed a motion to dismiss two claims represented by the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA), and to strike those programs which they represent from MPAA's Exhibit 3 (Phase II). The first claim was that of Reeves Entertainment Group. NAB states that the claim was in fact filed by Alan Landsburg Productions, Inc.. The second claim was that of Republic Pictures Corp.. NAB claims it was in fact filed by TCI Programs, Inc.. NAB cannot ascertain which programs in MPAA Exhibit 3 are owned by these two claimants. Therefore, it requests that the Tribunal require MPAA to provide a complete list of all programs falling within NAB's motions that they may be struck from the record.

MPAA filed a response on March 14, 1986 stating that Alan Landsburg Productions, Inc. changed its name to Reeves Entertainment Group on April 19, 1985. TCI Programs, Inc., changed its name to Republic Pictures in February, 1985.

The Tribunal accepts MPAA's response. Accordingly, the motion to dismiss claims and to strike portions of MPAA's Phase II direct case is denied.

  
Edward W. Ray, Chairman

March 21, 1986