

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

John F. Cotton

v.

Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc.

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C-20065752

ORDER AMENDING CAPTION

On January 5, 2006, a formal Complaint was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) against "Verizon" (actually, Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc.) as an appeal of a decision rendered by the Commission's Bureau of Consumer Services at #1899212. Although the name printed in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint form is John F. Cotton, the Complaint actually was signed by Margaret J. Dais, with both names appearing on the verification name line. There was no indication that Ms. Dais is a spouse of Mr. Cotton, or has power of attorney to act on his behalf.

On February 1, 2006, respondent Verizon filed an Answer which denied the material averments of the Complaint. By Telephone Hearing Notice dated February 10, 2006, a telephonic hearing was scheduled for March 30, 2006, and the matter was assigned to me. On February 15, 2006, I issued a Prehearing Order directing the parties to comply with various procedural requirements.

By undated letter received by me on February 22, 2006, Ms. Dais stated that she would not participate in the scheduled hearing, stating "I'm not having a telephonic hearing. As far as I am concerned, the case is closed." She threatened to "call a harassment agency" if the hearing is held.

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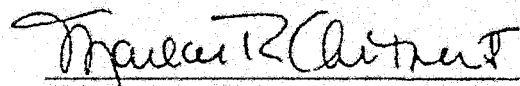
Clearly, the proceeding should be recaptioned to reflect the appropriate complainant, Margaret Dais. She is the person who verified the Complaint. There is no indication that she has a valid power of attorney in fact to file an action on behalf of John Cotton, or that Mr. Cotton is even aware that this Complaint was filed in his name.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

I. That the caption of this proceeding be amended to read: Margaret J. Dais v. Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc. at Docket No. C-20065752.

Date: March 1, 2006



Marlane R. Chestnut
Administrative Law Judge

DATE: March 1, 2006

SUBJECT: John F. Cotton v. Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.
Docket Number C-20065752

TO: ~~Beth Plantz~~ DAWN
Scheduling Office

FROM: Marlane R. Chestnut, Administrative Law Judge
Philadelphia Office of Administrative Law Judge

Attached please find: 1) a copy of a letter from Margaret Dais, and
2) an Order Amending Caption in the above case.

Please process the letter from Ms. Dais as a withdrawal of the
complaint.

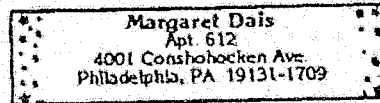
Thank you.

Attachments

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Public Utility Commission
Philadelphia Office
Administrative Law Judge



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(to whom)

(This is in reference to a letter I received from your office dated Feb/10, of this year, concerning a telephonic hearing scheduled for March 30. V. Verizon

I will not have a telephonic hearing because I don't owe Verizon \$164.00, I owe them 3 or 4 dollars, that's all they will get. I will not lower my standards or put myself through any more unnecessary aggravation or humiliation because of themselves anyone owe anybody then owe me for all the money they have lied cheated and stolen from, I'll take the phone out of my sons name (JOHN F. Cotton) so they couldn't lie cheat and steal any more. I'm on the Lifeline program now, I get one set bill every month, they can't charge whatever they want to charge anymore so the last bill for John Cotton I they decided to make

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it ~~is~~ there should be a law against what they are doing to people. I'm not the only one. This only happen to low income people because there is no one to protect us. The one with the money always win. I don't sue Verizon. I'm not giving them anything and I'm not having a telephonic hearing. As far as I'm concerned the case is closed. If this non-sense continues I will call a harassment agency.

P.S. You can reach me at (215) 878-4787 if you have any questions.

Margaret Dasso



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Office of Administrative Law Judge
P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265
March 7, 2006

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In Re: C-20065752

(SEE UPDATED ATTACHED LIST)

Margaret Dais v. Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.

Cancellation Notice

This is to inform you of the following cancellation:

Type: Initial Telephonic Hearing
Date: Thursday, March 30, 2006
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Presiding: Administrative Law Judge Marlane R. Chestnut

Please mark your records accordingly.

pc: Judge Chestnut
Dawn Reitenbach
Beth Plantz
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DATE: March 7, 2006

SUBJECT: C-20065752
Margaret Dais v. Verizon Pennsylvania Inc.
(per Order Amending Caption 3/1/06)

TO: Wanda Zeiders
Docket Management

FROM: Dawn M. Reitenbach, ALJ Support Staff
Office of Administrative Law Judge

On February 22, 2006, a Petition for Leave to Withdraw was filed in the above-captioned proceeding. If no objection is filed to this petition within 10 days of service, this proceeding will be closed.

All parties should be notified that the case is closed and a copy of that notification placed in the document folder.

Attachment

pc: ALJ Marlane R. Chestnut
Beth Plantz
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