## **INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNAL**

COURT #2 FREEPORT INSURANCE CENTER, 21B WEST MALL & POINCIANA DRIVE, FREEPORT, GRAND BAHAMA, COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

## Before MRS. HELEN J. ALMORALES-JONES (VICE-PRESIDENT) (SITTING ALONE) LEON ELLIS APPLICANT JAMAICA BAHAMA IMPORTS RESPONDENT ORDER

## **APPEARANCES**

For the Applicant Pro se

Freeport, Grand Bahama

The Bahamas

For the Respondent No appearance

No appearance Freeport, Grand Bahama

The Bahamas

**WHEREAS,** on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023, **Leon Ellis** ("the Applicant") filed a **Report of a Trade Dispute** against **Jamaica Bahama Imports** ("the Respondent") with The Department of Labour in Grand Bahama, The Bahamas;

**AND WHEREAS** by a **Certificate of Referral** dated the 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 (received on the 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2023), the Honourable Minister of Labour & Immigration referred this trade dispute to the Industrial Tribunal, Northern Region, ("the Tribunal");

**AND WHEREAS** the Tribunal served the **Applicant** with notice of the referral on the 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2023;

**AND WHEREAS** on the  $15^{th}$  June, 2023, the **Applicant** filed a **Form A** (Originating Application);

**AND WHEREAS** on the 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2023, the Tribunal served a copy of the **Form A** (Originating Application) together with a **Form C** (Notice of Originating Application) and a **Form D** (Notice of Appearance) on the **Respondent's place of business**;

**AND WHEREAS** the **Respondent** failed to file a **Form D** (Notice of Appearance) or **Form E** (Defence) within the time limited for so doing by **Rules 4** and **6** of **The Industrial Relations** (**Tribunal Procedure**) **Rules**, **2010** ("The Rules");

**AND WHEREAS** the Respondent failed to appear at the Case Management hearing on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2023;

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant filed a **Form M** (Notice of Joinder of Parties) applying to join **Jamaica Bahama Imports Limited** as a party to the proceedings;

**AND WHEREAS** the Tribunal served a **Form J** (Notice of Hearing) on the Applicant, Respondent's place of business and Respondent's registered office, setting the matter down for trial at 10:00 a.m. today (Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2023);

**AND WHEREAS** the Applicant today filed a **Form K** (Notice of Withdrawal);

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT this matter be dismissed pursuant to Rule 12(1)(a) of The Rules.

DATED: This 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D., 2023.

Her Honor, Helen J. Almorales-Jones, Vice-President