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# U.S. Department of Labor Investigations Result in Two Idaho Agricultural Employers Paying \$51,571 in Back Wages and Penalties for Multiple H-2A Violations

**BOISE, ID** – After separate investigations by the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division (WHD), two agricultural employers in Idaho have paid a combined \$24,625 in back wages to 19 employees for multiple violations found under the H-2A temporary agricultural worker visa program. The employers have also paid a total of \$26,946 in civil money penalties.

WHD found Alan Brown – a commercial beekeeper and honey producer in Soda Springs, Idaho – gave preferential treatment to H-2A workers by paying a U.S worker less for doing the same work. The employer also failed to meet housing safety and health requirements; pay transportation and other expenses to H-2A workers traveling to and from Peru; and meet the frequency of pay requirements.



Case Filed:

Terminated:

Oct 06, 2017

Oct 18, 2018

### Leibar v. Anchustegui et al

Idaho District Court

 Judge:
 B Lynn Winmill

 Case #:
 1:17-cv-00415

Nature of Suit 710 Labor - Fair Labor Standards Act

Cause 29:1801 Farmworker Rights

Docket

Parties (12)

Docket last updated: 02/05/2020 11:59 PM MST

### Thursday, October 18, 2018

33 order Judgment Fri 10/19 2:14 PM

JUDGMENT this case is dismissed with prejudice and without an award of costs or attorneys' fees to any party. Signed by Judge B. Lynn Winmill. (caused to be mailed to non Registered Participants at the addresses listed on the Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF) by (jp)

### Wednesday, October 17, 2018

32 misc Stipulation of Dismissal Wed 10/17 3:11 PM

STIPULATION of Dismissal With Prejudice by John Anchustegui. (Julian, Brian)

### Thursday, October 11, 2018

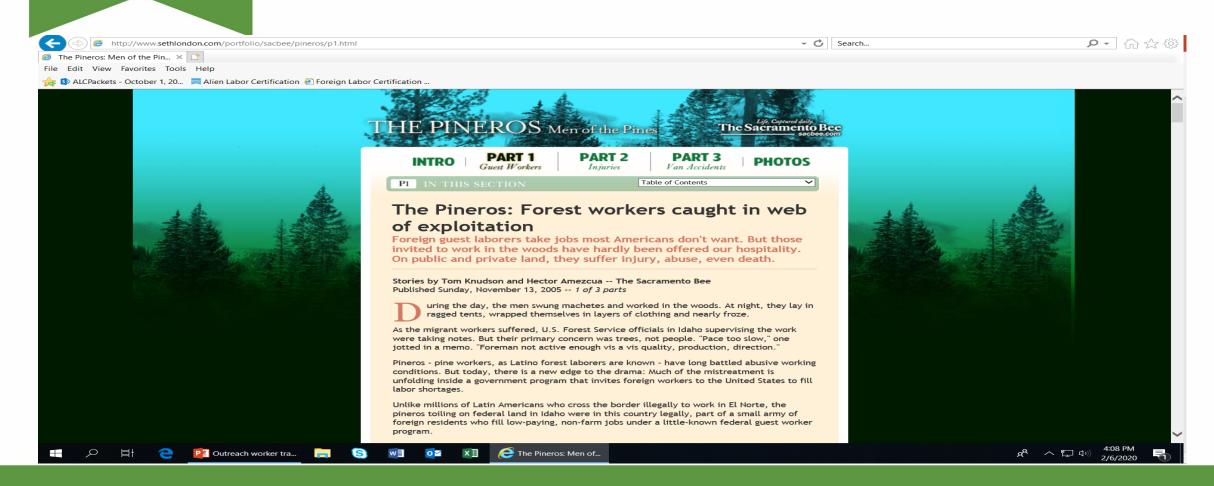
minutes Settlement Conference Thu 10/11 5:26 PM

Docket Text Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Candy W. Dale: Appearances by Erik Johnson and Howard Belodoff for the Plaintiff; Brian Julian for the Defendant. Settlement Conference held on 10/11/2018. Counsel/parties appeared and negotiated under the Court's direction and supervision. Case Settled. Stipulation of Dismissal to be filed on or before 11/1/2018. Time in Court 9:30-11:00 AM & 11:45 AM-1:17 PM. (Settlement Papers/Documents Due deadline set for 11/1/2018.) (ESR A. Tate.) Sealed Audio File Location Boise - Courtroom 6. (at)





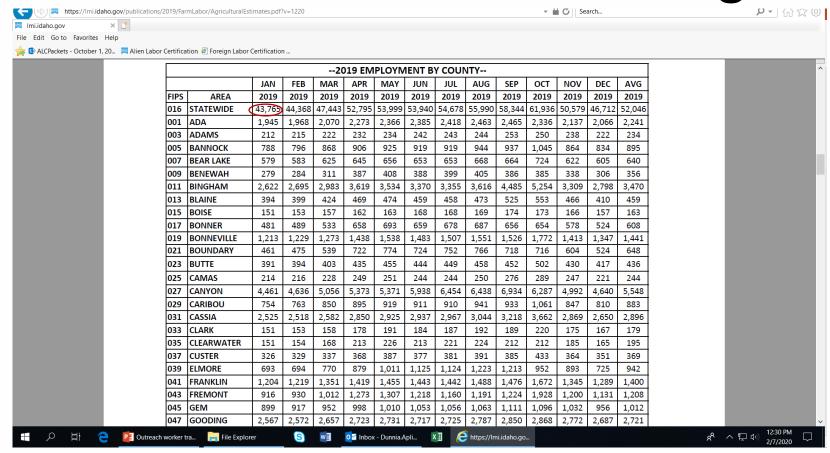














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