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M/S "NORTE"

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FACTS: This claim was filed by the widow of the late Candido Seneriches who worked as Master of Motor Ship "NORTE". This Motor Ship was commandeered by the US Army for which the Claims Service paid the amount of \$37,500.00. (See Claim of Visayan Shipping Co., Inc., CC-24-x-4807.) Claimant demands payment for unpaid wages due the deceased Seneriches from January 1942 to 30 September 1943 at \$240.00 per month, quarter allowances and for alleged services rendered in saving the requisition receipt, for the death of Seneriches and for his traveling and burial expenses.

FINDINGS: The deceased Seneriches was fully paid up to include 28 February 1943. (Exhibit A, paragraph 2, Item 1).

The Motor Ship "NORTE" of which he was the Master, was scuttled by her crew on 2 March 1943. (Exhibits B and C).

OPINION: Seneriches' services were terminated on 2 March 1943 and his death thereafter can not be considered within the scope of his employment with the US Army.

Services of Seneriches for the keeping of the requisition receipt, his traveling and burial expenses do not constitute a claim against the US Government.

In view thereof, claimant is only entitled to receive payment for actual services rendered by Seneriches from 1 to 2 March 1943, at the rate of \$240.00 per month.

It is recommended that claimant be paid \$15.48 in full settlement of this claim.

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