



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD
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In the Matter of the
**REPRESENTATION OF
EMPLOYEES**
of
FREEDOM AIR, INC.
Flight Attendants

30 NMB No. 34

CASE NO. R-6932
(File No. CR-6779)

CERTIFICATION

March 6, 2003

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA) on December 23, 2002, to investigate and determine who may represent for the purposes of the Railway Labor Act (RLA), as provided by Section 2, Ninth, thereof, personnel described as "Flight Attendants," employees of Freedom Air, Inc. (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were not represented by any organization or individual.

The Board assigned Sean J. Rogers to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a majority of eligible employees in the craft or class had signed authorization cards which authorize the AFA to represent them for the purposes of the RLA.

The investigation further disclosed that the Carrier did not object to representation of the craft or class by the AFA.

The following is the result of the Check of Validity of the employees' signatures as reported by Investigator Rogers.

Number of Employees Signing Authorizations:

	<u>Valid Authorizations</u>	<u>Eligible Employees</u>
Flight Attendants	26	49

The Board further finds that the Carrier and employees in this case are, respectively, a Carrier and employees within the meaning of the RLA, as amended; that this Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and that the interested parties, as well as the Carrier, were given due notice of the Board's investigation.

CERTIFICATION

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Section 2, Ninth, of the RLA, as amended, and based on its investigation pursuant thereto, the Board converts File No. CR-6779 to NMB Case No. R-6932 and certifies that the AFA has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Flight Attendants, employees of Freedom Air, Inc., its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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