



**NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD**  
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In the Matter of the  
**REPRESENTATION OF  
EMPLOYEES**  
of  
**BROWNSVILLE & RIO GRANDE  
INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY, LLC**  
Clerical Office Employees

44 NMB No. 31  
CASE NO. R-7488  
DISMISSAL  
June 14, 2017

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers (SMART) on November 18, 2016, to investigate and determine who may represent for the purposes of the Railway Labor Act (RLA),<sup>1</sup> as provided by Section 2, Ninth, thereof, personnel described as “Clerical Office Employees,” employees of Brownsville & Rio Grande International Railway, LLC (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were unrepresented.

The Board assigned Investigator Andres Yoder to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Clerical Office Employees, and by direction of the Board, the Investigator was instructed to conduct an election to determine the employees’ representation choice.

<sup>1</sup> 45 U.S.C. § 151, *et seq.*

The following is the result of the election as reported by Investigator Yoder.

<u>Election Results for Clerical Office Employees</u>	
Eligible Employees	3
Total Valid Votes	3
SMART	0
"No Votes"	3
Void Votes	0

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; this Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and the interested parties, as well as the Carrier, were given due notice of the Board's investigation.

On the basis of the investigation and report of election which establishes that a majority of the valid votes cast was for no representation, the Board finds no basis for certification and the application is, therefore, dismissed subject to Part 1206.4(b) of the NMB Rules.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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