

See the letter below from the Jones Bros Attorney attempting to negotiate a settlement and give up their claims – note the language below where they state in writing that the \$30,000+ that Hunt Downer claims Jeff Landry illegally took, was not stolen – in fact Jones’ attorney was trying to use it as a bargaining tool. Jones Bros was trying to pay Landry less than they eventually were forced to pay.



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To date, Mr. Landry and Champagne have already received \$6,000.00 from payment to the Joint Venture from Stagg Oil. They also have in their possession and have had the benefit of for over three (3) years the \$30,734.00 payment to Jones Brothers from the Chitimacha Tribe, for which absolutely no goods or services were provided by Mr. Landry or Mr. Champagne separate from the Joint Venture. The current value of that debt owed is \$38,680.73. Additionally, Mr. Champagne was paid a salary from the period of January 1, 2003 through the first quarter of 2004, when he was terminated for cause.

In an effort to conclude this employment practices dispute and bring to an end, forever, all disputes between the parties, my clients have authorized me to resolve this matter with total benefit/payment of \$80,000.00 from Jones Brothers Company, Inc., as follows:

- Your clients retain:
- (1) \$ 6,000.00 payment from Stagg Oil;
 - (2) \$38,680.73 owed in connection with Chitimacha Tribe (satisfaction of judgment to be filed as part of settlement)

Then Jones made yet another offer to get Jeff to settle because they knew they were going to lose even more if it went to a jury who would hear all of the facts:

October 23, 2007

Mr. Charles M. Gordon, Jr.
PREIS GORDON
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Baton Rouge, LA 70821-2786

Dear Chuck:

As per our numerous telephone conferences over the past several days, I have visited with my clients and have been authorized to issue this final settlement proposal. As you have been provided with copies of the Stagg Oil payments to your clients, and have reviewed the judgment arising from the Chitimacha Tribe issue and confirm the present value of that judgment, those items will not be discussed in detail, but do form a part of this resolution. As such, we propose final settlement and release of all claims as well as dismissal of all litigation in exchange for \$150,000.00, comprised of \$105,000.00 payment plus retention by your clients of the \$6,000.00 already received from Stagg Oil and retention of the funds received from the Chitimacha Tribe and a satisfaction of that judgment (\$38,000.00).