NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award **Number 22133**Docket Number MS-22245

Joseph A. Sickles, Referee

(Eddie L. Lambert

PARTIES TO DISPUTE: (

(The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company (Southern Region)

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: This is to **serve** notice, as required by the rules of the National Railroad **Adjustment** Board, of (my) intention to file an **ex** parte submission on (30 days from date of this notice) covering an unadjusted dispute between (me) and the Chessie System) involving) My Unjust Dismissal involving the question:

my unjust dismissal

OPINIONOFBOARD: Subsequent to notice and investigation, Claimant was dismissed from Carrier's service on August 29, 1975. Thereafter, appeals for leniency were submitted, and Carrier's highest designated officer declined the appeal on November 12, 1975.

There was no further **handling** of the matter on **the** property **and no** conference. On June 13, 1977 a Notice of Intention was filed with this Board, followed by an **ex** parte submission.

Rule **21(g)** 1. C. of the pertinent agreement specifies **that** claims shall be barred unless, within nine (9) months from date of the highest designated officer's decision, proceedings are instituted before the appropriate division of this Board. The **record** before us clearly shows that this claim was not filed here within that time period. Accordingly, we lack jurisdiction and the claim is barred.

FINDINGS: The Third Division of the Adjustment Board, after giving the parties to this dispute due notice of hearing thereon, and **upon** the whole record and all the evidence, finds **and** holds:

That the Carrier and the **Employes** involved in this dispute are respectively Carrier and **Employes** within the **meaning** of the Railway Labor Act, as approved June 21, 1934;

That this Division of the Adjustment Board lacks jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and

That the Claim be dismissed.

<u>AWARD</u>

Claim dismissed.

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By Order of Third Division

Eventive Segretary

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 30th day of June 1978.

