IN THE COURT OF CLAIMS OF OHIO

JARREN WASHINGTON :

Plaintiff :

v. : CASE NO. 2003-01989-AD

SOUTHEASTERN CORR. INST. : <u>MEMORANDUM DECISION</u>

Defendant :

{¶1} THE COURT FINDS THAT:

- {¶2} 1) On January 29, 2003, plaintiff, Jarren Washington, filed a complaint against defendant, Southeastern Correctional Institution, alleging his gym shoes and t-shirt were lost while under the control of defendant's staff. Plaintiff seeks damages in the amount of \$56.50 for property loss. Plaintiff submitted the filing fee on March 17, 2003.
- {¶3} 2) On January 29, 2003, defendant filed an investigation report admitting liability and acknowledging plaintiff suffered damages in the amount of \$56.50.
 - {¶4} THE COURT CONCLUDES THAT:
- {¶5} 1) I find, by a preponderance of the evidence, negligence by defendant has been shown. *Baisden v. Southern Ohio Correctional Facility* (1977), 76-0617-AD; *Stewart v. Ohio National Guard* (1979), 78-0342-AD;
- {¶6} 2) Plaintiff has suffered damages in the amount of \$56.50, plus the \$25.00 filing fee, which may be reimbursed as compensable damages pursuant to the holding in *Bailey v. Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction* (1990), 62 Ohio Misc. 2d 19.

- {¶7} Having considered all the evidence in the claim file and adopting the memorandum decision concurrently herewith;
 - {¶8} IT IS ORDERED THAT:
- $\{\P9\}$ 1) Plaintiff's claim is GRANTED and judgment is rendered in favor of the plaintiff;
- {¶10} 2) Defendant (Southeastern Correctional Institution) pay plaintiff (Jarren Washington) \$81.50 and such interest as is allowed by law;
 - {¶11} 3) The court shall absorb the court costs of this case.

DANIEL R. BORCHERT Deputy Clerk

Entry cc:

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