United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit.

SHULTZ v. DEPARTMENT OF ARMY

96 F.3d 1222 (9th Cir. 1996)

PAUL G. SHULTZ, Plaintiff-Appellant, v. DEPARTMENT OF ARMY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Defendant-Appellee.

Nos. 92-35197, 92-35580

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Appeals from the United States District Court for the District of Alaska.

D.C. No. CV-86-30-AJK

Andrew J. Kleinfeld, District Judge, Presiding

Before: Mary M. Schroeder, Betty B. Fletcher and Arthur L. Alarcon, Circuit Judges.

The opinion dated November 30, 1993 is withdrawn.

OPINION

PER CURIAM:

The government's petition for rehearing is granted, the opinion of November 30, 1993 at 10 F.3d 649 is withdrawn, and the following opinion is substituted in its place.



[1] Paul G. Shultz appeals the district court's judgment in favor of the government in his quiet title action under 28 U.S.C. § 2409a. Shultz argued that he has a right-of-way across Fort Wainwright to get back and forth between Fairbanks and his property under either R.S. 2477, 43 U.S.C. § 932, or Alaska common law, or both. Because we ultimately agree with the district court that Shultz has not sustained his burden to factually establish a continuous R.S. 2477 route or a right-of-way under Alaska common law, we affirm the district court. We do not reach Shultz's argument that the district court erred by holding that his action was time-barred by 28 U.S.C. § 2409a(g).

AFFIRMED.

[6] ALARCON, Circuit Judge, dissenting:

I respectfully dissent.

I would deny the petition for a rehearing and reverse the district court's judgment for the reasons set forth in Judge Fletcher's scholarly opinion in Shultz v. Department of the Army, <u>10 F.3d 649</u> (9th Cir. 1993).

