

REVIEW OF DETERMINATION AND ORDER ON EMPLOYMENT OF LEARNERS
IN THE CIGAR MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

A review of the findings, determination and order of Merle D. Vincent, Director of the Hearings Branch, Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, relating to the employment of learners in the cigar making industry has been granted, it was announced today.

Harold D. Jacobs, Administrator of the Division, announced that interested parties will be allowed to submit briefs either in support of or in opposition to the determination and order up to March 9, 1940. There will be a further opportunity then to submit briefs in rebuttal, if they are filed with the Division prior to the close of business on March 23, 1940.

The review of the findings and determination was granted, Mr. Jacobs said, on the applications of Alles & Fisher, Inc., of Boston, Mass., and other parties, in accordance with regulations issued by the Wage and Hour Division.

After due notice to all interested parties, Mr. Vincent conducted a hearing in Washington, D. C., on November 1 and 2, 1939 to determine (a) whether or not certain occupations in the cigar manufacturing industry require a learning period; (b) whether it is necessary, in order to prevent curtailment of opportunities for employment, to provide for the employment of persons in occupations requiring a learning period at wages lower than the statutory minimum, and (c) if so, for what period of time and at what wages.

On January 2, 1940, he filed with the Administrator findings of facts, determination and order. In accordance with the regulations, any aggrieved party has the right to appeal to the Division for a review of such order within 15 days after its publication in the Federal Register (January 18, 1940). In accord with the applications filed by several interested parties, the Administrator is granting the review.

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