Decision No. 53175

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CHESTER NELSON,

Complainant,

vs.

Case No. 7271

THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, a corporation,

Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY INTERIM RELIEF

Chester Nelson of 5421 So. Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles, California, having filed a verified complaint alleging in substance that prior to January 6, 1962, complainant was a subscriber and user of telephone service furnished by defendant under number PLeasant 9-9316 at said address; that on or about January 6, 1962 the telephone facilities of complainant were removed and disconnected by the defendant pursuant to instructions from the Los Angeles Police Department, which department caused complainant to be arrested on or about said date on a charge of violation of Section 337a of the Penal Code, bookmaking; that there was subsequently no complaint filed against complainant and the charges against him were dismissed; that complainant did not use and does not now intend to use said telephone facilities as instrumentalities to violate the law nor in aiding or abetting such violation; that complainant has made demand upon defendant to have said telephone facilities restored, but defendant has refused to do so; that complainant is employed in a supervi-

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sory position and said telephone facilities are needed in connection with his work; that complainant has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury to his reputation and will suffer great hardship if deprived of said telephone facilities;

IT IS ORDERED that The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation, is hereby directed to reconnect and restore telephone service to complainant and to maintain such service pending further Commission order herein, said service to be furnished pursuant to defendant's filed tariff rates and rules applicable thereto. The complaint will be set for hearing before such Commissioner or Examiner, and at such time and place, as may hereafter be designated.

The Secretary is directed as follows:

- To cause a certified copy of this order, together with a copy of the complaint herein, to be served upon The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation, and said defendant is directed to serve and file its reply within ten (10) days after said service.
- 2. To cause a copy of this order to be mailed to complainant.
- 3. To cause appropriate notice of hearing to be mailed to the parties at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing herein.

26th Dated at _____ San Francisco, California, this day of JANUARY 1962. President

Commissioners

-2-Peter E. Mitchell C. Lyn Fox Commissioner 5 , being necessarily absent. did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

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