

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

HERCULES INCORPORATED, a §  
corporation of the State of §  
Delaware, §

Plaintiff Below, §  
Appellant, §

v. §

AIG AVIATION, INC., ALLIANZ §  
INS. CO., THE AMERICAN INS. §  
CO, AMERICAN INS. CO., §  
ASSOCIATED AVIATION §  
UNDERWRITERS, CENTENNIAL §  
INS. CO., CONTINENTAL INS. §  
CO, FEDERAL INSURANCE §  
COMPANY, FIREMAN'S FUND §  
INS. CO., FIREMEN'S INS. CO. §  
OF NEWARK, NJ, THE GLENS §  
FALLS INS. CO., THE HANOVER §  
INS. CO., INSURANCE COM- §  
PANY OF NORTH AMERICA; §  
CERTAIN UNDERWRITERS AT §  
LLOYDS' LONDON AND §  
CERTAIN INSURANCE COM- §  
PANIES IN THE LONDON §  
MARKET, MUTUAL MARINE §  
OFFICE INC., NATIONAL UNIONS §  
FIRE INS. CO. OF PITTSBURGH §  
PA, SOUTHEASTERN AVIATION §  
UNDERWRITERS, INC. (N/K/A §  
AIG AVIATION, INC.), THE SEA §

No. 50, 2000

Court Below: Superior Court of  
the State of Delaware in and for  
New Castle County

C. A. No. 98C-05-124

INS. CO. (U.S. BRANCH), §  
UNITED STATES FIRE §  
INSURANCE COMPANY, §  
§  
Defendants Below, §  
Appellees. §

Submitted: September 19, 2000  
Decided: September 20, 2000

Before **VEASEY**, Chief Justice, **HOLLAND** and **STEELE**, Justices.

**ORDER**

This 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2000, upon consideration of the briefs of the parties, and their contentions in oral argument, it appears to the Court that the judgment of the Superior Court should be affirmed on the basis of and for the reasons set forth in its well-reasoned decision dated January 7, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of the Superior Court is **AFFIRMED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ E. Norman Veasey  
Chief Justice