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CONTRACT CLAIMS.—CLAIM *quantum meruit*.—NULLITY DECREES. Claim for payment for legal services rendered under contract made by claimant with agent of *de facto* Mexican Government *allowed*. Nullification laws of Mexico *held* to be without effect on rights of claimant. Where contract contained express limitation of authority of agent acting for Mexico, *held* claimant bound by such notice. Claim for services on a *quantum meruit* basis not made by claimant or allowed by tribunal.

*Cross-references:* Am. J. Int. Law. Vol. 21, 1927, p. 777; Annual Digest, 1927-1928, p. 207.

1. Claim is made in this case by the United States of America in behalf of Joseph E. Davies to obtain the payment of \$170,000 alleged to be due for legal services rendered by Davies under a contract concluded on or about October 11, 1920, between him and the Government of Mexico, acting through Roberto V. Pesqueira, Financial Agent of the Mexican Government in the United States. In the Mexican Government's Brief Mr. Pesqueira is also described as "confidential and financial Agent of the United Mexican States." A motion to dismiss this case on the ground that the claim, being based on an alleged non-performance of contractual