SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

APPEALS

Friday February 17, 2017 9:00 a.m. Commission Chambers 1915 N. Stiles Ave. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma www.wcc.ok.gov

AGENDA

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A. MIN	UTES:					

• The drafted Minutes of the Special Appeal Meetings of January 20, 2017 will be considered for approval.

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION

B. <u>Appeal Hearings before the Commission En Banc from Orders Issued by the Commission's Administrative Law Judges</u>

The hearings before the Commission en banc will be conducted pursuant to the authority and jurisdiction of the Administrative Workers' Compensation Act, Title 85A O.S. §1 et seq., and the Workers' Compensation Commission's Permanent Rules, OAC 810. The procedure for the hearings before the Commission en banc is as follows:

- Each party will be allowed ten (10) minutes for oral arguments.
- The appellant will present first. Appellant may divide his or her ten minutes for argument, allowing a portion of that time for rebuttal.

• Both parties are subject to questioning by Commissioners.

1. Christopher Forrest v. City of Tulsa (Own Risk #10435), file #CM2014-06600A

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Egan. Michael R. Green is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Travis R. Colt is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action, affirming the order and decision of the Administrative Law Judge and issuing an order to that effect, or taking preliminary action in the matter to reverse, modify, remand or if otherwise do not fully affirm the order of the Administrative Law Judge and instructing the Law Clerk or other staff member to draft a proposed Order to be considered in further deliberations at a future Commission meeting, or continuing the matter.

2. Edel C. Rangel v. JP Construction Inc., & Valley Forge Insurance, file #CM2014-09548Q

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Curtin. Kevin B. White is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Jerrod Geiger is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

Possible Action:

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3. Edward A. Dickinson v. City of Ponca City (Own Risk #11929), file #CM2014-09765H

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Sommer. James G. Devinney is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Eric L. Tabor is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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4. <u>Donald Wilson v. Rolled Alloys LP & Travelers Property & Casualty Co.</u> of America, file #CM2015-08087Q

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Inhofe. Esther M. Sanders is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Mia C. Rops is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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5. Brian McClanahan v. City of Tulsa (Own Risk #10435), file #CM2016-01071X

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Inhofe. Michael R. Green is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Jordan S. Ensley is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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6. <u>Jesus David Contreras v. Air Systems Components Inc. & Indemnity</u> Insurance Co. of North America, file #CM2016-01776X

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Curtin. James G. Devinney is the attorney of record for the Claimant and John A. McCaleb is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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7. Melinda Moore v. Sequelcare of Oklahoma LLC & Travelers Indemnity Co. of Connecticut, file #CM2016-01888H

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Sommer. Stacey Lobaugh is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Loretta Jones is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

Possible Action:

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8. <u>James Glenn Stirling v. OMNI Packaging Corp & New Hampshire</u> Insurance Co., file #CM2016-03772A

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Inhofe. Esther M. Sanders is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Angela Odell Reinstein is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

Possible Action:

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B. Commission Consideration of Adoption of Final Order in the Following Case:

1. <u>Darwin Seurer v. Murray Services Inc.</u>, & <u>National American Insurance</u> Co., File #CM2015-08451J

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Sommer. Daniel Davis is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Angela Odell Reinstein is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

On January 20, 2017, the parties presented a joint motion to vacate the Administrative Law Judge's Order and remand for further proceedings. The Commissioners voted to vacate and remand the Administrative Law Judge's order. The proposed order has been drafted and distributed to the Commissioners for consideration of adoption.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action, adopting the order as proposed or as modified at the hearing, or continuing the matter.

D. Announcements

Commission's next special business meeting is Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Commission's next meeting regarding Appeals is scheduled for Friday, March 17, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT......Presiding Appellate Officer, Chairman Gilliland