SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

APPEALS

Friday June 10, 2016 8:30 a.m. Commission Chambers 1915 N. Stiles Ave. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma www.wcc.ok.gov

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER	. Presiding Appellate Officer	, Chairman	Gilliland
ROLL CALL	. Presiding Appellate Officer	, Chairman	Gilliland
NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE		Dana	Esparza
BUSINESS	. Presiding Appellate Officer	, Chairman	Gilliland
A. MINUTES:			

• The drafted Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 20, 2016 will be considered for approval.

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

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

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. <u>Jarrid B. Bishop v. Cox Communications Inc.</u>, & New Hampshire <u>Insurance Co.</u>, File #CM2015-03223Y

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Sommer. Gary G. Prochaska is the attorney of record for the Claimant, and Todd A. Estes 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. 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:

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3. Gary Allen Lockhart v. Pavement Conservation Specialists Inc., & Bitco General Insurance Company (FKA Bituminous Casual), File #CM2015-04718L

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Curtin. Esther M. Sanders is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Travis A. Fulkerson is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

Possible Action:

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4. Edward E. Bray v. Pecofacet Houston LLC & Travelers Indemnity Co. of America, File #CM2015-06896F

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

5. Clinton E. Stiltner v. Paul Transportation Inc. & Insurance Co. of the State of Penn., File #CM2015-07445H

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Inhofe. Ray Lahann is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Magan C. Graham 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.

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

1. Cindy Washington v. St. John Medical Center INC., & Ascension Health Alliance (Own Risk #20140), File #CM2014-10710J

At the Special Meeting on May 20, 2016, the Commission heard oral arguments from Bryce Hill, counsel for the Claimant, and Michael Gilliard, counsel for the Respondent. After deliberating, the Commission voted to take preliminary action to remand the Administrative Law Judge's Order for additional findings.

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 regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday July 14, 2016. Commission's next Special Meeting regarding Appeals is scheduled for Friday, July 15, 2016.

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