



OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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I. **PREHEARING CONFERENCES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Beginning on Tuesday, July 6, 2021, the Commission will resume in person appearances for Prehearing Conferences (PHC's) in the assigned venue.

Parties may make PHC Announcements IN PERSON to the assigned ALJ. If discussion or argument is required with the assigned ALJ, both parties will need to appear IN PERSON in the assigned venue. Contested issues must be presented IN PERSON and the ALJ will no longer initiate a telephone conference.

Parties are permitted to EMAIL the assigned ALJ **AGREED ANNOUNCEMENTS ONLY**. All parties must be copied and the WCC case number must be provided in the announcement. Emailed announcements must be in advance of the PHC or by 11:00 A.M. on the day of the scheduled hearing, **or the PHC will be stricken as moot and a new pleading will have to be filed.**

If a trial setting is requested, the parties will need to complete and execute the REQUEST FOR TRIAL SETTING FORM. This can be provided to the ALJ in person or via email.

II. **FORM ORDERS** (Form A, Form 100, IME request, Medical Release, Party Produced Order)

A Form Order (Form A, Form 100, IME request, Medical Release, Party Produced Order, etc.) may be requested IN PERSON to the **assigned ALJ only**. The ALJ will take the original for processing and the parties will receive a file stamped copy in the mail. The Form Orders listed above may still be sent via email to the assigned ALJ if agreed upon by both parties.

The Form 93 Order process will remain the same at this time. They are to be (snail) mailed in with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

III. **JOINT PETITIONS**

THE CURRENT JOINT PETITION PROCEDURE WILL REMAIN IN PLACE AT THIS TIME.

Joint petitions should be submitted by interrogatory via email to the assigned ALJ. If there is not an assigned ALJ the JP should be sent to Chief ALJ Curtin. Only those matters settled on the day of trial may be presented for an in person settlement.

THE WCC FACILITIES REMAIN UNAVAILABLE FOR MEDIATIONS AND DEPOSITIONS