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### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The hearing was scheduled pursuant to a Form 50 filed by the Claimant's attorney, in the above-referenced case, on November 25, 2013. The Claimant maintained that he sustained a compensable injury to the head and thoracic spine while in the course and scope of the Claimant's employment with the Defendants on April 19, 2012. The Claimant maintained that he was entitled to additional medical treatment with Dr. Peterson as well as temporary total disability benefits from April 20, 2012 until January 1, 2013. In response, the Defendants maintained that the Claimant could not satisfy his burden of proof, pursuant to §42-1-160 of the Act, on the basis that the Claimant had no memory or recollection of the facts or circumstances surrounding his alleged April 19, 2012 work related accident. In addition, the Defendants maintained that the Claimant's fall on April 19, 2012 was idiopathic in nature and, therefore, not compensable pursuant to the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Act. Furthermore, the Defendants took the position that the Claimant had reached maximum medical improvement and was not in need of additional medical treatment. The Defendants also maintained that the Claimant was physically capable of working, during the period of time that he was requesting payment of temporary total disability benefits and, therefore, the Claimant was not entitled to temporary total disability benefits.

### EVIDENCE OF THE CASE

#### Testimony

The Claimant was the only witness to testify on his behalf. The Claimant testified that he is currently 28 years of age and resides in Lugoff, South Carolina with his wife. With regards to the Claimant's alleged April 19, 2012 work related accident, the Claimant stated that he has no memory of the facts and circumstances surrounding his alleged work related accident. (Hr'g Tr.

1 A. YES. YES.

2 Q. ALL RIGHT. SO IT WAS VERY LIKELY YOU WERE STANDING  
3 ON THE GROUND.

4 A. WELL, FROM WHERE I HAD HIT MY HEAD AND WHERE I HIT  
5 MY BACK, IT'S IF I WOULD HAVE FELL FLAT-FOOTED, THEN  
6 IT -- THERE'S NO WAY I WOULD HAVE HIT THE SAME  
7 AREAS, WHERE I HIT MY HEAD ESPECIALLY.

8 Q. WELL, HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT 'CAUSE YOU DON'T REMEMBER  
9 WHAT HAPPENED. SO HOW DO YOU KNOW?

10 A. I DON'T REMEMBER BEING ON THE TRUCK. I DON'T  
11 REMEMBER STANDING ON THE GROUND, BUT FROM THE BLUNT  
12 -- OR FROM THE TRAUMA TO MY HEAD, AND THEN MY T3 AND  
13 MY T4, IT'S JUST -- I MEAN, TO ME AND WHAT THE  
14 DOCTOR SAID, IT'S ABOUT IMPOSSIBLE TO BE STANDING  
15 FLAT-FOOTED AND TO DO THAT.

16 Q. BUT YOU DON'T KNOW BECAUSE YOU DON'T REMEMBER?

17 A. I DON'T KNOW.

18 Q. AND YOU'RE ABOUT FIVE FEET...?

19 A. SIX AND A HALF.

20 Q. OKAY. YOU'RE ABOUT FIVE FEET, SIX AND HALF INCHES  
21 TALL?

22 A. YES, SIR.

23 Q. OKAY, ALL RIGHT. LET'S TALK ABOUT THIS BACKPACK FOR  
24 A MOMENT BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO BE IMPORTANT TO AT  
25 LEAST THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU ASKED ON DIRECT

1                   YOUR HONOR, I JUST CAN'T ---

2                   BY COMMISSIONER BARDEN:

3                   YOU GOT TO STAY AWAY FROM WHAT THE DOCTOR SAID,  
4                   BECAUSE SHE'S NOT HERE FOR ANYBODY TO QUESTION. ALL  
5                   RIGHT, GO AHEAD, MR. LOCKHART.

6                   CROSS EXAMINATION RESUMED BY MR. LOCKHART:

7                   Q.   YOU SAW DR. GIRAULT AGAIN IN OCTOBER?

8                   A.   YES, SIR.

9                   Q.   AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, ACCORDING TO HER RECORDS,  
10                  RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TREATMENT WERE MADE?

11                  A.   YES, SIR.

12                  Q.   INCLUDING INJECTIONS?

13                  A.   I DIDN'T HAVE ANY INJECTIONS DONE.

14                  Q.   YOU DECLINED THE OFFER OF TREATMENT?

15                  A.   I DID DECLINE, AND THERE'S A REASON. 'CAUSE -- I  
16                  COULD TELL Y'ALL ALL KINDS OF STUFF, BUT. I  
17                  DECLINED THE INJECTIONS 'CAUSE I'VE HEARD FROM  
18                  SEVERAL OTHER PEOPLE THAT INJECTIONS, THEY CAUSE YOU  
19                  EVEN MORE ISSUES LIKE SKIN DETERIORATION AND BONE  
20                  DETERIORATION AND ALL THAT. AND I DON'T WANT TO  
21                  CAUSE ANYMORE PROBLEMS THAN I'VE ALREADY GOT.

22                  Q.   YOU WERE ALSO GIVEN A BACK BRACE AS WELL BY DR.  
23                  GIRAULT, BUT YOU'RE NOT WEARING A BACK BRACE AT THE  
24                  PRESENT TIME, CORRECT?

25                  A.   WE TRIED THE BACK BRACE ON, BUT IT -- I DIDN'T

1 half and two years.

2 Q Do you know if he had been there about three or four  
3 years longer than you have then?

4 A I'd say two and a half or something. I would be  
5 guessing, but a guess I think he had told me he had been  
6 there between three and four years.

7 Q All right. Whenever you came onboard?

8 A It might have been two and a half when I came onboard.  
9 I'm not dead sure of that. Don't quote me.

10 Q And do you often work side by side with him?

11 A Yes. Me and Lee was real close and we worked together  
12 real good.

13 Q And did you often discuss personal matters between the  
14 two of you?

15 A The two of us, somewhat, you know.

16 Q Would he freely discuss if he was having a problem?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q Would you do essentially the same thing?

19 A Yes, we would.

20 Q Did he ever tell you or had you heard him complain about  
21 any type of dizziness or syncope, it may be called?

22 A Not dizziness, you know, he had discussed about just not  
23 feeling good, you know, not being up to par what he was  
24 used to feeling. Lee was a very energetic young man, but  
25 he never discussed anything about any dizziness or

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The undersigned hereby certifies that the Supplemental Record on Appeal contains all material proposed to be included by any of the parties and not any other materials.

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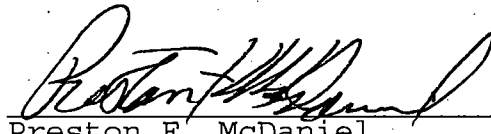
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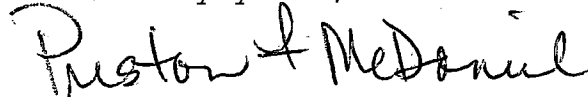
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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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