

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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Matthew Edwards,)
Employee,)
Claimant,)
vs.)
S.C. Department of Public Safety,)
Employer,)
and)
State Accident Fund,)
Carrier,)
Defendants.)

CONSENT ORDER

This claim was scheduled for a hearing on October 19, 2017, at 1:15 P.M., in Anderson, South Carolina pursuant to Claimant's Motion for Lump Sum Payment of Attorney Fees. Prior to the scheduled hearing, the parties to this claim reached an agreement to resolve the issues concerning Claimant's request for a lump sum payment and have requested the Commission to issue this Order memorializing the agreement. The parties have agreed as follows:

1. That Defendants have agreed to pay the remaining balance of Claimant's permanent partial disability award in a lump sum, reduced to present day value.
2. That pursuant to the order of the Commission, dated May 20, 2016, Claimant sustained 45% permanent partial disability ("PPD") to the back and was entitled to 135 weeks of compensation.
3. That as of October 16, 2017, Defendants have paid Claimant sixty-nine (69) weeks of PPD compensation.
4. That Defendants shall issue two (2) more weekly payments of PPD compensation to Claimant, which will result in a total of seventy-one (71) weeks of PPD compensation paid as of October 24, 2017 and which will leave a balance of sixty-four (64) weeks of PPD benefits due [135 weeks - 71 weeks = 64 weeks].

5. That Defendants will pay Claimant a lump sum of Thirty Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Six and 55/100 Dollars (\$30,546.55), which represents the present day value of the remaining sixty-four (64) weeks of PPD benefits.

I find the agreement among the parties set forth above to be reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above agreement among the parties be approved and adopted as an Order of the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission. This file shall be returned to General Files until a hearing request is made by either party through proper pleadings. All other issues will be held in abeyance and are reserved for agreement by the parties or determination by the Commission at a later time.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

South Carolina Workers'
Compensation Commission

By: Melody L. James
Commissioner Melody L. James

Dated: October 24, 2017
Columbia, South Carolina

WE DO HEREBY CONSENT:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the undersigned has on this date served a copy of this order in the above entitled action upon all parties to this case by sending an electronic copy hereof by electronic mail addressed to the attorneys for said parties; or if there is an unrepresented party(ies), by depositing a copy hereof, postage paid in the United States mail, first class, addressed to the unrepresented party(ies) and to the attorney(s) for the represented party(ies).

By Tamara Morris on October 24, 2017