

STATE OF FLORIDA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE OF COMPENSATION CLAIMS
LAKELAND DISTRICT

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OJCC #: 07-034183 MHH

D/Accident: 05/23/07

Judge: Mark H. Hofstad

**ABBREVIATED FINAL ORDER
AWARDING COSTS AT THE EXPENSE OF THE CLAIMANT**

On October 28, 2009, counsel for the Employer/Carrier filed the Employer/Carrier's Verified Motion to Tax Costs. On January 20, 2010, a cost hearing was held before Judge of Compensation Claims Mark H. Hofstad (JCC) in Lakeland, Polk County, Florida. The Employer/Carrier was represented by Scott B. Miller, Esquire. The Claimant was represented by Scott F. Eldridge, Esquire. The following are the findings of the JCC:

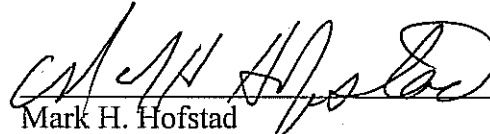
1. Lakeland District is the proper venue and this court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter.
2. As the prevailing party, the Employer/Carrier has established entitlement to reimbursement of reasonable costs at the expense of the Claimant.
3. The JCC has reviewed the evidence presented at the cost hearing and finds that the costs awarded below are reasonable and within the purview of the applicable statute and relevant case law.

4. This is an abbreviated final order awarding costs pursuant to section 440.25, Florida Statutes, and shall be governed by the aforementioned statute and rules relating thereto.

Wherefore, it is ORDERED and ADJUDGED that:

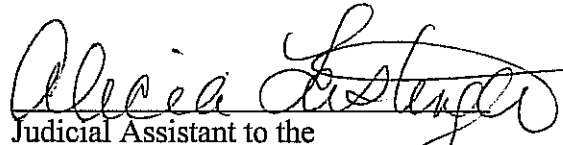
1. The Claimant shall pay the Employer/Carrier costs in the amount of \$1,242.36.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Lakeland, Polk County, Florida.


Mark H. Hofstad
Judge of Compensation Claims

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing order was entered on this 5th day of February, 2010, by the Judge of Compensation Claims, and that a copy thereof was sent to the parties identified above.


Alicia L. Stenger
Judicial Assistant to the
Judge of Compensation Claims