

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. F201868

LEON B. CRAWFORD,
EMPLOYEE

CLAIMANT

SINGLE SOURCE TRANSPORTATION,
EMPLOYER

RESPONDENT

FIDELITY & CASUALTY INSURANCE/
CRAWFORD & COMPANY,
INSURANCE CARRIER

RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED AUGUST 4, 2004

Upon review before the FULL COMMISSION in Little Rock,
Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Claimant represented by HONORABLE JOSEPH P. GRAHAM, Attorney
at Law, Prescott, Arkansas.

Respondents represented by HONORABLE CAROL WORLEY, Attorney
at Law, Little Rock, Arkansas.

OPINION AND ORDER

This case comes on for review before the
Commission on remand by the Arkansas Court of Appeals.

An Administrative Law Judge found that claimant
sustained a compensable injury, that respondent is liable
for all reasonably necessary medical treatment and benefits
for temporary total disability from February 15, 2002
through May 3, 2002, and that claimant's attorney is
entitled to an attorney's fee based on controversion.
Thereafter, the Full Commission denied and dismissed this
claim on a finding that claimant did not sustain a
compensable injury. On June 30, 2004, the Arkansas Court of

Appeals reversed the opinion of the Full Commission and remanded for a determination of the extent of benefits to which claimant is entitled.

Accordingly, we find that claimant has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that he sustained a compensable injury to his knee. Respondent is directed to comply with the award set forth in the opinion of the Administrative Law Judge. All accrued benefits shall be paid in a lump sum without discount and with interest thereon at the lawful rate from the date of the Administrative Law Judge's decision in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-809 (Repl. 2002).

Since the claimant's injury occurred after July 1, 2001, the claimant's attorney's fee is governed by the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-715 as amended by Act 1281 of 2001. Compare Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-715(Repl. 1996) with Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-715 (Repl. 2002). For prevailing on this appeal before the Full Commission, claimant's attorney is hereby awarded an additional attorney's fee in the amount of \$500.00 in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-715(b) (Repl. 2002).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

OLAN W. REEVES, Chairman

SHELBY W. TURNER, Commissioner

KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Commissioner