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BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. F501085

LOU ANNE MITCHELL, EMPLOYEE	CLAIMANT
ARMSTRONG WOOD PRODUCTS D/B/A/ ROBBINS HARDWOOD FLOORING, EMPLOYER	RESPONDENT
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SO. INS. CO. SPECIALTY RISK SERVICES, TPA	RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED APRIL 12, 2006

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

Claimant represented by HONORABLE TIMOTHY S. PARKER,
Attorney at Law, Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

Respondent represented by HONORABLE RANDY P. MURPHY,
Attorney at Law, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Decision of Administrative Law Judge: Affirmed and Adopted.

OPINION AND ORDER

The claimant appeals from a decision of the
Administrative Law Judge filed October 12, 2005.

The Administrative Law Judge entered the following
findings of fact and conclusions of law:

Claimant has failed to meet her burden
of proving by a preponderance of the
evidence that her carpal tunnel syndrome
complaints are compensable.

Specifically, the claimant has failed to establish a causal connection between her employment and her injury.

The claimant alleges that he sustained a compensable injury that is governed by the Arkansas Workers' Compensation Act, A.C.A. § 11-9-101 et seq. The claimant's alleged injury is, indeed, an injury that is covered by the Act; however, the claimant has failed to establish the elements necessary to prove a compensable injury by a preponderance of the evidence.

We have carefully conducted a de novo review of the entire record herein and it is our opinion that the Administrative Law Judge's decision is supported by a preponderance of the credible evidence, correctly applies the law, and should be affirmed. Specifically, we find from a preponderance of the evidence that the findings of fact made by the Administrative Law Judge are correct and they are, therefore, adopted by the Full Commission.

Thus, we affirm and adopt the decision of the Administrative Law Judge, including all findings and conclusions therein, as the decision of the Full Commission on appeal.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

OLAN W. REEVES, Chairman

KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Commissioner

Commissioner Turner dissents.