

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. G808515

BILLY W. CORLEY, CLAIMANT
EMPLOYEE

ACME BRICK COMPANY, RESPONDENT
EMPLOYER

TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, RESPONDENT
INSURANCE CARRIER/TPA

OPINION FILED MARCH 31, 2022

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

Claimant represented by the HONORABLE EDDIE H. WALKER, JR.,
Attorney at Law, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Respondents represented by the HONORABLE AMY C. MARKHAM,
Attorney at Law, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Decision of Administrative Law Judge: Affirmed and Adopted.

OPINION AND ORDER

The Arkansas Court of Appeals has reversed the Full Commission in the above-styled matter and has remanded for further proceedings. *Corley v. Acme Brick*, No. CV-21-239 (Opinion Delivered February 9, 2022).

Pursuant to the remand from the Court of Appeals, and in accordance with our *de novo* review of the entire record, it is our opinion that the administrative law judge's October 5, 2020 decision is supported by a preponderance of the evidence and should be affirmed. The administrative law judge found:

1. The Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission has jurisdiction over this claim.

2. The proposed stipulations set forth above are hereby accepted as fact.
3. The claimant has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that he is entitled to a 20% anatomical impairment rating to the body as a whole based on the diagnosis of lymphedema, a compensable consequence of his compensable injury to his right lower extremity.
4. The respondents did not properly determine the extent of the claimant's permanent impairment at 50% to the lower right extremity.
5. The claimant has proven by the above standard that he is entitled to wage loss disability in the amount of 45%. This amount is in addition to the 20% anatomical impairment rating also assessed above.
6. The claimant's attorney is entitled to an attorney fee based on the above findings.

After reviewing the entire record *de novo*, we find that the administrative law judge's findings are correct and are therefore adopted by the Full Commission. We therefore affirm the decision of the administrative law judge, including all findings of fact and conclusions of law, as the decision of the Full Commission on appeal.

The claimant's attorney is entitled to fees for legal services in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. §11-9-715(a)(Repl. 2012). For prevailing on appeal to the Full Commission, the claimant's attorney is entitled to an additional fee of five hundred dollars (\$500), pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §11-9-715(b)(Repl. 2012).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

SCOTTY DALE DOUTHIT, Chairman

CHRISTOPHER L. PALMER, Commissioner

M. SCOTT WILLHITE, Commissioner