

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. H204851

JANET FOSTER,  
EMPLOYEE

CLAIMANT

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF ARKANSAS,  
EMPLOYER

RESPONDENT

ATA WORKERS' COMP SI TRUST,  
INSURANCE CARRIER/TPA

RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED OCTOBER 17, 2024

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 MELISSA WOOD, Attorney  
at Law, Little Rock, Arkansas.

ORDER

The respondents in the above-styled matter move to file a belated brief. After consideration of both parties' pleadings, the Full Commission grants the respondents' motion.

An administrative law judge filed an opinion on May 15, 2024. The administrative law judge awarded medical treatment and a period of temporary total disability benefits. The respondents filed a timely notice of appeal, and the Clerk of the Commission corresponded with the parties regarding a briefing schedule.

In their motion to file a belated brief, the respondents state, among other things, that their attorney was not sent a copy of the original briefing

schedule. The respondents request that a new briefing schedule be issued. The Full Commission therefore grants the respondents' motion to file a belated brief. We direct the Clerk of the Commission to issue a final briefing schedule for both parties, so that the case can be submitted to the Full Commission for a statutory *de novo* review.

IT IS SO ORDERED .

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SCOTTY DALE DOUTHIT, Chairman

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M. SCOTT WILLHITE, Commissioner

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MICHAEL R. MAYTON, Commissioner