

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. **H302021**

PAULA HOLLINGSWORTH, EMPLOYEE	CLAIMANT
CIRCLE OF LIFE HOSPICE CORPORATION, EMPLOYER	RESPONDENT
MIDWEST INSURANCE COMPANY INSURANCE CARRIER	RESPONDENT

OPINION/ORDER FILED **JULY 11, 2024**

Hearing before ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE JOSEPH C. SELF, in Springdale, Washington County, Arkansas.

Claimant is not represented and did not appear at the hearing.

Respondents are represented by MICHAEL C. STILES, Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas

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On April 26, 2023, claimant filed Form AR-C, alleging a compensable injury on December 31, 2022. Claimant was represented at the time by Lauri K. Thomas, who filed a Motion to Withdraw on December 22, 2023 and was allowed to withdraw on January 9, 2024. No other attorney entered an appearance on claimant's behalf.

On May 3, 2024, respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss, alleging that it had been more than six months since claimant filed her Form AR-C with the Commission, but she had not made a request for a hearing in that time. A hearing on respondent's Motion to Dismiss was scheduled for June 20, 2024. Notice of the scheduled hearing was sent to claimant by certified mail at the last known address in the Commission's file. The notice was delivered to claimant on May 14, 2024. Claimant did not respond to Respondent's motion and did not appear in person at the hearing on June 20, 2024.

I find it has been more than six months since prior to this hearing and that no request for a hearing has been made in this file. After my review of the respondent's motion, the Claimant's lack

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of response and failure to attend the hearing for the respondent's motion, as well as all other matters properly before the Commission, I find that respondent's Motion to Dismiss this claim should be and hereby is granted. This dismissal is pursuant to Commission Rule 099.13 and is without prejudice.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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JOSEPH C. SELF  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE