BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION AWCC CLAIM NO.: H005396

ANSON HUDGENS, Employee

CLAIMANT

O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, Employer

RESPONDENT

AIU INSURANCE COMPANY, Carrier

RESPONDENT

AIG CLAIMS, INC., TPA

RESPONDENT

OPINION AND ORDER FILED JULY 20, 2021

Hearing conducted before Administrative Law Judge Terry Don Lucy, in Crittenden County,

Arkansas.

Counsel for the Claimant: pro se.

Counsel for the Respondents: Honorable Curtis L Nebben; Attorney at Law, Fayetteville,

Arkansas.

The above-captioned matter came on for a hearing on July 16, 2021, with respect to the

Respondents' Motion to Dismiss filed with the Commission on or about May 24, 2021. When the

hall was sounded at the appointed time for the hearing, the Claimant was not present for such, nor

did he appear during the ensuing proceedings. During such, the Commission's file herein was

designated as part of the record without objection from the only appearing party and is deemed

incorporated by reference for purposes of this Opinion and Order.

The Commission's file reflects that, on July 7, 2021, the Claimant contacted the

Commission's Legal Advisor Division and explained that he had received a letter regarding the

Respondents' Motion to Dismiss and did not want to pursue his claim or go to court.

Given the Claimant's lack of objection to the Respondents' Motion, failure to appear at the

hearing held on July 16, 2021, and documented desire to not pursue his claim, I specifically find

that the Claimant has failed to prosecute his claim in a timely manner and that dismissal thereof

without prejudice is warranted pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §11-9-702 and Commission Rule

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099.13, for lack of prosecution, and hereby grant the Respondents' Motion.

The above-captioned matter is respectfully dismissed without prejudice effective July 16, 2021, and the Respondents are ordered and directed to pay the court reporter's fee within thirty

days of billing for such.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

TERRY DON LUCY

Administrative Law Judge

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