

**NOT DESIGNATED FOR PUBLICATION**

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. G906115

MICHAEL HENDRICKS, EMPLOYEE	CLAIMANT
ALTES SANITATION SERVICE, EMPLOYER	RESPONDENT
LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., INSURANCE CARRIER/TPA	RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED NOVEMBER 18, 2021

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

Claimant represented by the HONORABLE MATTHEW KETCHAM,  
Attorney at Law, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Respondents represented by the HONORABLE MICHAEL E. RYBURN,  
Attorney at Law, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Decision of Administrative Law Judge: Affirmed and Adopted.

OPINION AND ORDER

Respondents appeal an opinion and order of the Administrative Law Judge filed July 14, 2021. In said order, the Administrative Law Judge made the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. The stipulations agreed to by the parties at a pre-hearing conference conducted on April 14, 2021 and contained in a pre-hearing order filed that same date are hereby accepted as fact.
2. Claimant's radial tunnel syndrome is related to the compensable injury to claimant's left elbow and therefore respondent is liable for payment of benefits associated with that compensable injury.
3. Claimant has met his burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the surgery proposed by Dr. Kelly is reasonable

and necessary medical treatment for his compensable injury.

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 made by the Administrative Law Judge are correct and they 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 therein, and adopt the opinion as the decision of the Full Commission on appeal.

All accrued benefits shall be paid in a lump sum without discount and with interest thereon at the lawful rate from the date of the Administrative Law Judge's decision in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-809 (Repl. 2012).

For prevailing on this appeal before the Full Commission, claimant's attorney is entitled to fees for legal services in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 11-9-715(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.

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SCOTTY DALE DOUTHIT, Chairman

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CHRISTOPHER L. PALMER, Commissioner

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M. SCOTT WILLHITE, Commissioner