BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. H007849

LAJUANA S. ROBERTS, EMPLOYEECLAIMANTSPECIAL SERVICES LEARNING CENTER INC., EMPLOYERRESPONDENTSTONETRUST INSURANCE, INSURANCE CARRIERRESPONDENT

OPINION/ORDER FILED JULY 23, 2021

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

Claimant is represented by LAURA BETH YORK, Attorney, Little Rock; although not appearing. Respondents are represented by MICHAEL E. RYBURN, Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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On November 5, 2020, claimant filed Form AR-C, alleging a compensable injury on September 25, 2020. Claimant was represented at the time by Attorney Laura Beth York, who remains her attorney of record.

On April 06, 2021, Respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss, alleging that it had been more than six months since claimant filed his Form AR-C with the Commission, but he had not made a request for a hearing in that time. Claimant's attorney advised the Commission she had no objection to the Motion to Dismiss and would not attend the hearing. A hearing on Respondent's Motion to Dismiss was scheduled for June 24, 2021. Notice of the scheduled hearing was sent to Claimant by certified mail at the last address in the Commission's file. The notice was returned unclaimed on June 10, 2021. Claimant did not respond to Respondent's motion and did not appear in person at the hearing on July 22, 2021.

I find it has been more than six months since prior to this hearing and that no request for a

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hearing has been made in this file. After my review of the Respondent's motion, the Claimant's lack 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.

JOSEPH C. SELF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE