

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. H204558

VINCENT WALKER, CLAIMANT  
EMPLOYEE

GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT, RESPONDENT  
EMPLOYER

ARKANSAS SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION, RESPONDENT  
INSURANCE CARRIER/TPA

OPINION FILED JANUARY 15, 2025

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.

Respondents appeal: Dismissed.

ORDER

The respondents appeal an administrative law judge's opinion filed August 20, 2024. The administrative law judge denied the respondents' motion to dismiss. The Full Commission dismisses the respondents' appeal because the administrative law judge's order is not final or appealable. For an order to be appealable, it must be final. *TEC v. Falkner*, 38 Ark. App. 13, 827 S.W.2d 661 (1992). To be final, an order must dismiss the parties from the court, discharge them from the action, or conclude their rights as to the subject matter in controversy. *American Mutual Insurance Co. v. Argonaut Insurance Co.*, 33 Ark. App. 82, 801 S.W.2d 55 (1991).

In the present matter, the administrative law judge's Opinion Filed August 20, 2024 does not dismiss the parties, discharge them from the action, or conclude their rights as to the subject matter in controversy. The Full Commission therefore dismisses the respondents' appeal, because the administrative law judge's opinion is not final and appealable.

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