

REGULAR MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

APPEALS

Friday, March 27, 2026
9:00 a.m.
Commission en Banc Courtroom
1915 N. Stiles Ave.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER.....Commission's Chair, Chairman Russell
ROLL CALL.....Presiding Appellate Officer, Commissioner Tilly
BUSINESS.....Presiding Appellate Officer, Commissioner Tilly

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE BY CHAIRMAN

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION

A. MINUTES:

- The drafted Minutes of the Special Appeals Meeting of February 27, 2026, will be considered for approval.

B. Appeal Hearings before the Commission En Banc from Orders Issued by the Commission's Administrative Law Judges

The hearings before the Commission en banc will be conducted pursuant to the authority and jurisdiction of the Administrative Workers' Compensation Act, Title 85A O.S. § 1 et seq., and the Workers' Compensation Commission's Permanent Rules, OAC 810. The Commissioners may recess for lunch.

The procedure for the hearings before the Commission en banc is as follows:

- Each side will be allowed ten (10) minutes for oral arguments.
- The appellant will present first. Appellant may divide his or her ten minutes for argument, allowing a portion of that time for rebuttal.

Both parties are subject to questioning by Commissioners.

1. **Tracy Wallace v. Oasis Outsourcing LLC, Discovery Woodlands Leasing LLC D/B/A and American Zurich Ins. Co., File #CM3-2020-00993R**

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Lawyer. Arthur H. Adams is the attorney of record for the Claimant. James B. Cassody and J. Nick Crews are the attorneys of record for the Respondents.

Possible Action:

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2. **Carlotta Scarborough v. Northeastern Health System and Oklahoma Health Care Association, File #CM3-2021-03910K**

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Lawyer. Arthur H. Adams is the attorney of record for the claimant and Donald A. Bullard is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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3. **Phillip Mendell v. City of Bartlesville, File #CM3-2021-04713A**

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Inhofe. Kathryn Black is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Travis Colt is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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4. **Michael Burnette v. MITE, File #CM3F-2021-05731X**

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge McMillin. Ray Lahann is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Connor E. Brittingham is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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5. **Andra Carter II v. Whataburger Restaurants LLC and American Zurich Ins. Co., File #CM3-2024-01571Q**

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Blodgett. J. Mike Lawter and Milly Daniels are the attorneys of record for the Claimant. John A. McCaleb is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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6. **Tonya Smith v. Smith Home Care LLC and Amtrust Insurance Co., File #CM3-2024-06698H**

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Egan. Milly Daniels is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Michael A. Fagan is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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7. **Chris Mangum v. Riverside Transport Inc. and Cowell Insurance Services Inc., File #CM3-2024-03437Y**

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Egan. Michael R. Green is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Nicole S. Bryant is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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8. **Laurel Reynolds v. Galt Foundation Inc. and COMPSOURCE Mutual Insurance Company, File #CM3-2024-02404F**

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Curtin. D. Elliot Yaffe is the attorney of record for the Claimant and R. Dean Lott is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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9. **Daniel Schlickbernd v. Trader Joe's Co. and Indemnity Ins. of N. America, File #CM3-2025-01177K**

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Egan. Jay T. Chaney is the attorney of record for the Claimant and Donald A. Bullard is the attorney of record for the Respondent.

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C. Commission Consideration of Adoption of Final Orders in the Following Cases:

1. Bernardino Valadez v. BECCO Contractors, Inc., File #CM3-2023-03637F

Claimant filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Egan. Jack G. Zurawik appeared for the Claimant and R. Jay McAtee appeared for the Respondent.

This case came on for Oral Argument on December 12, 2025. After reviewing the record, hearing oral arguments, and deliberating, Commissioner Biggs moved to take this case under advisement.

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2. Brock Clark v. City of Tulsa, File #CM3-2024-01855R

Respondent filed an appeal from the order issued by Administrative Law Judge Lawyer. April Spurgeon appeared for the Claimant and Travis Colt appeared for the Respondent.

This case came on for Oral Argument on February 6, 2026. After reviewing the record, hearing oral arguments, and deliberating, Commissioner Biggs moved to take this case under advisement.

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ADJOURNMENT.....Presiding Appellate Officer, Commissioner Tilly