Docket Number: 2259
\*(CONSOLIDATED WITH NOS. 1977, 2419, 2541, 2552 & 2648)

INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICES, INC., REST HAVEN NURSING CENTERS, INC., d/b/a, INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICES OF PENNSYLVANIA AT BROOMALL; REST HAVEN NURSING CENTER, INC., d/b/a INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICES OF CHESTNUT HILL; AND REST HAVEN NURSING CENTER (WHITEMARSH) d/b/a INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICES AT WHITEMARSH

Louis J. Capozzi, Jr., Esquire
Michael Hynum, Esquire
John N. Kennedy, Esquire

VS.

# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

John A. Kane, Chief Counsel Jason W. Manne, Assistant Counsel

# August 30, 1996

Claim and filing fee filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Amount of Claim: \$2,415,507.00

## September 4, 1996

Copies of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT: 10/4/96

September 10, 1996

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General September 5, 1996.

# September 18, 1996

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant September 5, 1996.

## October 4, 1996

Letter received from attorney for Defendant requesting a 30-day extension of time to file its response to the Claim.

## November 6, 1996

Letter received from attorney for Defendant requesting an additional 30-day extension of time to file its response to the Claim.

# November 14, 1996

Letter forwarded to attorney for Defendant granting additional 30-day extension of time to file its response. Response due from Defendant 12/4/96.

## December 5, 1996

Answer and New Matter filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant. Response to New Matter due from Plaintiff 1/22/97.

## December 26, 1996

Answer to New Matter filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

## December 27, 1996

Letter forwarded to parties directing them to proceed with discovery.

# July 2, 1997

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status report. STATUS REPORT DUE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1997.

# August 5, 1997

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status report. STATUS REPORT DUE ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 4, 1997 OR RULE WILL BE ISSUED.

# August 25, 1997

Entry of Appearance of Louis J. Capozzi, Jr., Esquire, on behalf of Plaintiff, filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

## September 3, 1997

Withdraw of Appearance of Latsha, Davis & Yohe, filed by previous attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to current attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

## September 4, 1997

Letter/Status Report received from Plaintiff advising that he is awaiting some documents requested from the Defendant (by Latsha, Davis & Yohe), and advising that they will prepare a settlement proposal for presentation to the Defendant. If a settlement is reached, they will notify us of same.

# December 12, 1997

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties January 12, 1998.

#### January 13, 1998

Second letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. STATUS REPORT DUE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 12, 1998, or Rule to Show Cause will be issued.

#### February 19, 1998

Letter/Status Report received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that once the issues for the audit periods ending 12/31/86 - 12/31/90 are settled, they will be forwarding to Defendant a position paper and stipulation of settlement for this matter. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

# April 14, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status report. Status Report Due on or before May 14, 1998.

## May 18, 1998

Letter/Status Report received from Plaintiff advising that since DPW has not responded to the settlement proposal that Plaintiff forwarded to them, they request that this matter be scheduled for trial.

# May 27, 1998

Letter received from attorney for Defendant objecting to the Plaintiff=s request to schedule this matter for trial due to the fact that the Defendant is still considering Plaintiff=s settlement offer and if the matter is going to be scheduled, Defendant has more discovery to complete.

# July 16, 1998

Letter/Status Report received from Defendant advising that the focus of the parties' dealings has been on appeals involving earlier periods and have focused primarily on settlement, thus DPW has not propounded all of the discovery requests it will require, nor has it received responses to those already propounded.

# August 4, 1998

Defendant filed Notice of Service of Request for Production of Documents and Interrogatories.

# September 3, 1998

Motion to Consolidate as well as Brief in Support of Claimant=s Motion to Consolidate filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

# October 2, 1998

Response in Opposition to Claimants= Motion to Consolidate as

well as Brief in Support of Response in Opposition to Claimants= Motion to Consolidate filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

# \* November 9, 1998

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: AAND NOW this 9th day of November, 1998 upon consideration of Plaintiff=s motion to consolidate Docket Nos. 1932, 1977, 2259, 2419, 2541, 2552, and 2648, and Defendant=s opposition thereto, it is hereby ORDERED that: 1) the motion to consolidate is DENIED IN PART and Docket No. 1932 will not be consolidated with any other claim; and 2) the motion to consolidate will be GRANTED IN PART and Docket Nos. 1977, 2259, 2419, 2541, 2552, and 2648 will be consolidated for hearing. It is further ORDERED that all discovery in these claims be completed within six months of the exit date of this Order.@ Copies forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

#### November 18, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated November 9, 1998 received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant November 13, 1998.

#### November 18, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and order dated November 9, 1998 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff November 16, 1998.

## December 7, 1998

Entry of Appearance of Jason W. Manne, Assistant Counsel, on behalf of Defendant, filed by attorney for Defendant.

#### December 14, 1998

Notice of Service of Defendant=s Second Set of Interrogatories and Second Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Defendant.

#### December 30, 1998

Notice of Service of Claimant Response to Respondent Second Request for Production of Documents and Second Set of Interrogatories filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

## March 28, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **April 27, 2000**.

# March 30, 2000

Letter/Status Report received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are attempting to complete a global settlement of several pending BOC cases and Claimant submitted a settlement proposal on May 27, 1999 and September 3, 1999, which was supplemented, and they are awaiting a response to same from Defendant.

# October 2, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **November 1, 2000**.

## October 24, 2000

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in the midst of settlement negotiations and it is hoped that they will reach a fair and equitable settlement of all outstanding issues in this matter.

## May 14, 2001

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **June 13, 2001.** 

#### June 15, 2001

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in the midst of settlement negotiations and it is hoped that they will reach a fair and equitable settlement of all outstanding issues in this matter.

## January 17, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before February 19, 2002.

# February 19, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that they intend to continue with settlement negotiations with Defendant and that it is hoped that a fair and equitable settlement of all outstanding issues will be reached.

# August 28, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **September 27, 2002**.

# October 4, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that they intend to continue settlement negotiations with Defendant and that it is hoped that a fair and equitable settlement of all outstanding issues in the matter will be reached.

# November 5, 2002

Letter received from Plaintiff requesting a hearing be set, or in the alternative, a pre-hearing conference to resolve any pretrial issues, if any exist.

# November 7, 2002

Letter received from Defendant, in response to Plaintiff=s request for a hearing, requesting that Plaintiff should file their pre-trial statement, etc., which would allow Defendant to determine what adjustments and issues they intend to litigate. At that point, Defendant would either file a Pre-Trial Statement, or request a pre-hearing conference.

#### November 12, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff, via facsimile, requesting a 60 day extension of his November 4, 2002 request for a hearing for the above-matters, pending Defendants review of the latest settlement offer made by Plaintiff. If settlement is not reached, Plaintiff will file its Pre-Trial Statement as requested by Defendant in its November 6, 2002 letter to the Board.

### January 7, 2003

Letter received from Plaintiff requesting an additional 30 day extension of his 11/4/02 request for a hearing for the above-matters, pending Defendant's review of the latest settlement offer. If settlement is not reached, Plaintiff will file its Pre-Trial as requested by Defendant in its 11/6/02 letter to the Board.

# January 9, 2003

Letter forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff, with copy to attorney for Defendant, granting Plaintiff=s request for an additional 30 day stay of his hearing request pending settlement negotiations. Status Report due on or before **February 7, 2003**.

## February 6, 2003

Letter received from Plaintiff advising that the parties are involved in settlement negotiations and it is hoped that they can reach a fair and equitable settlement of all outstanding issues.

## September 21, 2005

Board rendered an Opinion and Order. Order as follows: "AND NOW, this  $21^{\rm st}$  day of September, 2005, it is ORDERED and DECREED that pursuant to 42 Pa. C.S.A. §5103(a) and Pa. R.C.P. 213(f), this matter and the record thereof is **TRANSFERRED** to the Department of Public Welfare, Bureau of Hearings and Appeals." Copy forwarded to Plaintiff and Defendant."

# October 3, 2005

Board transferred file to Department of Public Welfare, Bureau of Hearing and Appeals.

## October 17, 2005

Plaintiff filed Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated September 21, 2005. Receipt of same acknowledged October 11,