

Docket Number: 2265

SAINT FRANCIS COUNTRY HOUSE

~~Charles E. Caniff, Jr., Esquire~~  
~~Joann L. Drust, Esquire~~  
Nicholas Deenis, Esquire

VS.  
**CLOSED**

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

John A. Kane, Chief Counsel  
~~Lesley Smith Oakes, Assistant Counsel~~

**September 16, 1996**

Claim and filing fee filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Amount of Claim: not stated.

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**September 27, 1996**

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT 10-28-96.

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**October 3, 1996**

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General October 1, 1996.

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

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**November 8, 1996**

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

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**November 14, 1996**

Letter forwarded to parties directing them to proceed with discovery.

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**January 6, 1997**

First Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**August 28, 1997**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status report. Response due 9/29/97.

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**September 30, 1997**

Letter forwarded to the parties requesting a status report. Response due 10/30/97.

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**October 30, 1997**

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in the process of conducting discovery.

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**March 17, 1998**

Letter forwarded to the parties requesting a status report.  
**Response due 4/17/98.**

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**March 26, 1998**

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in the process of exchanging information.

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**August 10, 1998**

Proposed Order as well as Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Defendant's Answers to Plaintiff's First Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**August 18, 1998**

Letter forwarded to the parties requesting a status report.  
**Response due 9/18/98.**

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**October 7, 1998**

Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Defendant's Answers to Plaintiff's First Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

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**October 8, 1998**

Brief in Support of Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Defendant's Answers to Plaintiff's First Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

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**November 17, 1998**

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "**AND NOW**, this 17th day of November, 1998, upon consideration of Plaintiff's motion to compel discovery and Defendant's response thereto, the Motion is **DENIED** because it is moot." Copies forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

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**December 3, 1998**

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated November 17, 1998, received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant November 23, 1998.

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**December 10, 1998**

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated November 17, 1998 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff December 4, 1998.

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**October 29, 1999**

Substitution of Appearance of Nicholas Deenis, Esquire on behalf of Plaintiff filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**April 3, 2000**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties May 3, 2000.

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**April 17, 2000**

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are conducting settlement negotiations.

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**June 19, 2000**

Status Report filed by attorney for Defendant advising that the parties are conducting discovery.

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**January 2, 2001**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties February 2, 2001.

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**January 22, 2001**

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are conducting settlement negotiations.

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**August 6, 2001**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties September 6, 2001.

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**August 15, 2001**

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties have agreed to the terms of a draft settlement agreement and are currently discussing the inclusion of additional appeals in this master settlement agreement. The parties hope to finalize their agreements within the next few weeks.

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**January 2, 2002**

Stipulation of Settlement filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**January 7, 2002**

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "AND NOW, this 7th day of January, 2002, upon receipt of a letter-type Praecipe to Discontinue advising "Pursuant to a settlement reached between Catholic Health Care Services and the Department of Public Welfare, the appeals identified in Exhibit 2 to the attached Stipulations of Settlement filed with the Bureau of Hearings and Appeals have been settled. Insofar as your records may reflect that the listed appeals before the Board of Claims are open, please enter an Order of Dismissal consistent with the Order entered by the Bureau of Hearings and Appeals." filed by Nicholas Deenis, Esquire, attorney for Plaintiff, docketed with this Board under date of January 2, 2002, it is **ORDERED** and **DIRECTED** that said case be marked "closed, discontinued and ended without prejudice." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

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**January 14, 2002**

Acceptance of Service of Order dated January 7, 2002 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff January 10, 2002.