

Docket Number: 2463

PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION, GOLDEN HILL NURSING HOME, INC.,
HAZELTON NURSING AND GERIATRIC CENTER, HEALTH AND LIVING CENTERS,
INC. d/b/a COLLINS HEALTH CENTER, MOUNTAIN CITY CONVALESCENT AND
REHABILITATION CENTER, AND WILMAC CORPORATION, INDIVIDUALLY AND ON
BEHALF OF ALL PERSONS OR ENTITIES SIMILARLY SITUATED

Robert B. Hoffman, Esquire

CLOSED

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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

June 23, 1997

Claim and filing fee filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Amount of Claim: 1,729,284.86+.

June 27, 1997

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. **ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT 7/28/97.**

July 3, 1997

Acceptance of Service Claim received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant June 30, 1997.

July 30, 1997

Stipulation for Extension of Time to Plead filed by attorney for Plaintiff and Defendant.

August 14, 1997

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "AND NOW, this 14th day of August, 1997, it is ORDERED and DECREED that the Defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, shall have until September 15, 1997, to answer or otherwise plead in response to the Claim submitted by Plaintiff, Pennsylvania Health Care Association, et al. in June 23, 1997.

August 18, 1997

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated August 14, 1997 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff August 15, 1997.

August 20, 1997

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated August 14, 1997 received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant August 15, 1997.

September 17, 1997

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

October 16, 1997

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

October 23, 1997

Letter forwarded to parties directing parties to commence with discovery.

April 27, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status of case. Response due from parties May 27, 1998.

May 4, 1998

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that they are hopeful that this case will settle. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

August 14, 1998

Plaintiff's Motion for Approval Under Pa. R.C.P. 1714(b) to Discontinue Class Action filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

August 27, 1998

The Board rendered the following Order: "AND NOW, this 27th day of August, 1998, upon consideration of Plaintiffs' Motion for Approval Under Pa.R.C.P. 1714(B) To Discontinue Class Action, it is hereby ordered that plaintiffs' counsel shall promptly advise the Board when DPW has implemented the billing and payment processes described in the Medical Assistance Bulletin attached as Exhibit B to the Motion as contemplated by Paragraph 4 of the Parties' Stipulation of Settlement." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

September 1, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Order dated August 27, 1998 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff August 31, 1998.

September 3, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Order dated August 27, 1998 received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant August 28, 1998.

October 21, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties 11/23/98.

January 13, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties February 14, 2000.

February 2, 2000

Notice to Discontinue Class Action (with copy of Stipulation of Settlement attached) and Proposed Order filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

February 14, 2000

The Board rendered the following Order: "AND NOW, this 14th day of February, 2000, upon consideration of Plaintiffs' Motion for Approval Under Pa. R.C.P. 1714(b) to Discontinue Class Action and the plaintiffs' subsequently-filed Notice to Discontinue Class Action, it is hereby Ordered that the Motion is **GRANTED**. The Board finds, for the reasons set forth in the Motion and the Notice and upon review of the Stipulation of Settlement submitted with the Motion that this action has secured for members of the class sought to be certified substantially all of the relief sought in the Complaint and that discontinuance of this action will not prejudice other members of that class. Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that this action is discontinued with prejudice." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.
