

Docket Number: 2488

GRANE ASSOCIATES, D/B/A LAUREL WOOD CONVALESCENT CENTER

William D. Lenahan, Esquire
Nicole M. Campese, Esquire

VS.
CLOSED

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

~~John A. Kane, Chief Counsel~~
~~James C. Conley, Assistant Counsel~~
Jeffrey P. Schmoyer, Assistant Counsel

September 8, 1997

Claim and filing fee filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Amount of Claim: \$19,069.13.

September 11, 1997

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. **ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT 10/13/97.**

September 17, 1997

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General September 15, 1997.

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Answer and New Matter filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant. **REPLY TO NEW MATTER DUE FROM PLAINTIFF NOVEMBER 14, 1997.**

October 14, 1997

Respondent's Interrogatories to Claimant as well as Respondent's Request for Production of Documents filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

November 13, 1997

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

May 19, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status report. Status Report due on or before **June 18, 1998.**

June 18, 1998

Letter/Status Report received from Plaintiff requesting until August 31, 1998 to proceed further with this matter pending settlement negotiations to settle this and other claims.

October 7, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before November 9, 1998.

November 9, 1998

Letter received from counsel for Plaintiff advising that both parties have agreed to extend settlement negotiations before proceeding further before the Board. Advises they plan to contact the Board by 12/1/98 to update the status of these negotiations.

December 22, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report be filed. Status Report due on or before January 2, 1999.

January 25, 1999

Letter received from attorney for Defendant advising that this matter is in the discovery phase and settlement negotiation process. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

August 23, 1999

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status report. Status Report due on or before **September 22, 1999**.

September 22, 1999

Letter/Status Report received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that they are currently moving forward in the discovery and settlement negotiations. Also requests the withdrawal of appearance of Robert Slavkin, Esquire and entry of appearance of Nicole M. Camplese, Esquire, on behalf of Plaintiff.

September 24, 1999

Letter/Status Report received from attorney for Defendant advising that this matter is still in the discovery and settlement negotiation process. Defendant is in the process of obtaining MAMIS report which Claimant requested and Defendant awaits responses to its discovery.

May 24, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **June 23, 2000**.

July 24, 2000

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "**AND NOW**, this 24th day of July, 2000, a Rule to Show Cause is issued upon Plaintiff, Grane Associates, d/b/a Laurel Wood Convalescent Center, wherein it is **DIRECTED** that Plaintiff advise the Board, within thirty (30) days from the exit date of this Order, as to whether or not Plaintiff wishes to pursue this matter. In the event the Board does not receive a response to this Rule, said Rule to Show Cause shall become absolute and the case shall be marked 'closed, discontinued and ended with prejudice'." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

August 18, 2000

Letter/Response to Rule to Show Cause, received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are continuing their discussions regarding the resolution of this matter and that the discussions should be concluded by the end of October 2000.

March 19, 2001

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before **April 18, 2001**.

May 18, 2001

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "**AND NOW**, this 18th day of May, 2001, a Rule to Show Cause is issued upon Plaintiff, Grane Associates, d/b/a Laurel Wood Convalescent Center, wherein it is **DIRECTED** that Plaintiff advise the Board, within thirty (30) days from the exit date of this Order, as to whether or not Plaintiff wishes to pursue this matter. In the event the Board does not receive a response to this Rule, said Rule to Show Cause shall become absolute and the case shall be marked 'settled, discontinued and ended with prejudice'." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

June 20, 2001

Letter/Response to Rule to Show Cause received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that he anticipates that settlement efforts will conclude by September 17, 2001 and request that amount of time before proceeding further before the Board.

January 3, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a Status Report. Status Report due on or before 2/4/02.

February 19, 2002

Letter-Praecipe received from attorney for Plaintiff requesting that the claim be withdrawn from further proceedings and consideration by the Board of Claims. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

March 12, 2002

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: "AND NOW, this 12th day of March, 2002, it is hereby **ORDERED and DECIDED** that the claim of Plaintiff, Gene Associates, d/b/a Laurel Wood Convalescent Center, against the Defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, is hereby discontinued and ended with prejudice. The docket shall be marked accordingly." Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

March 18, 2002

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated March 15, 2002 received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant March 15, 2002.
