Docket Number: 2502

PENN MED CONSULTANTS, INC., COVENTRY MANOR NURSING HOME

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VS.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

John A. Kane, Chief Counsel Kathleen Grogan, Assistant Counsel Jeffrey P. Schmoyer, Assistant Counsel

September 8, 1997

Claim and filing fee filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Amount of Claim: \$300.00+

September 11, 1997

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT OCTOBER 11, 1997.

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.

September 18, 1997

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged Defendant September 18, 1997.

October 14, 1997

Answer and New Matter filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant. Response due from Plaintiff November 17, 1997.

November 17, 1997

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

May 26, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties June 26, 1998.

July 14, 1998

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties August 14, 1998.

August 11, 1998

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in discovery.

September 14, 1999

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff requesting an extension of time until December 31, 1999, in which to file Plaintiff=s responses to Defendant=s First Set of Interrogatories and First Request for Production of Documents.

September 15, 1999

Letter forwarded to Plaintiff granting Plaintiffs request for an extension of time until December 31, 1999, in which to file Plaintiffs responses to Defendants First Set of Interrogatories and First Request for Production of Documents. Response due December 31, 1999.

March 16, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties April 17, 2000.

March 29, 2000

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are involved in a global settlement of claims in the above-captioned matter as well as #2717 allowing discovery to be held pending the outcome of these negotiations.

April 12, 2001

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties May 14, 2001.

May 15, 2001

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are negotiating a settlement in this matter.

June 4, 2001

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties continue to explore a global settlement and are hopeful that these matters can be resolved without a hearing.

January 18, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties February 19, 2002.

January 23, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are unable to come to terms of settlement and request that the Board set same for hearing.

April 25, 2002

Claimants=, Penn Med Consultants, Inc., d/b/a Coventry Manor Nursing Home, Petition for Leave to Amend Claim as well as Brief in Support filed. Response due from Defendant May 29, 2002.

May 24, 2002

Notice of Service of Plaintiff=s Request for Production of Documents Propounded upon the Respondent filed.

May 28, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Defendant advising that they do not oppose the filing of Plaintiff=s Amended Claim nor will they be filing an answer or brief in opposition.

July 2, 2002

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: AAND NOW, this 2nd day of July, 2002, upon consideration of Plaintiff=s Petition for Leave to Amend Claim and Defendant=s indicated lack of objection, it is hereby ORDERED that the Petition be GRANTED. Plaintiff is directed to file its Amended Claim within thirty (30) days from the exit date of this Order.@ Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

July 10, 2002

Amended Claim filed by attorney for Plaintiff.

July 11, 2002

Amended Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. Response due August 12, 2002.

July 17, 2002

Acceptance of Service of Amended Claim received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General July 11, 2002.

August 1, 2002

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated July 2, 2002 received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant July 2, 2002.

August 12, 2002

Letter received from attorney for Defendant requesting a 60-day extension of time until October 14, 2002 in which to filed Defendants Response to Plaintiffs Claim.

August 13, 2002

Letter forwarded to attorney for Defendant granting Defendants request for a 60-day extension of time until October 14, 2002 in which to filed Defendants Response to Plaintiffs Claim. RESPONSE DUE OCTOBER 14, 2002.

November 6, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties December 6, 2002.

October 18, 2002

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

November 15, 2002

The Answer of the Claimant, Penn Med Consultants, Inc., Millville Health Center, to the Respondents New Matter filed. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

November 18, 2002

Letter forwarded to parties directing parties to commence with discovery.

December 16, 2002

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in the discovery phase of this litigation and upon completion of discovery, if no settlement can be reached, the Plaintiff will request that a hearing be set.

November 8, 2005

Board rendered an Opinion and Order. Order as follows: "AND NOW, this 8th day of November, 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."

November 8, 2005

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

November 15, 2005

Defendant filed Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated November 8, 2005. Receipt of same acknowledged November 10, 2005.