

Docket Number: 2643

PRESBYTERIAN MEDICAL CENTER OF WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA, INC.

~~Samuel B. Fineman, Esquire~~  
~~Randy J. Riley, Esquire~~  
\*Daniel K. Natirboff, Esquire  
Michael A. Hynum, Esquire

VS.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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

**February 5, 1998**

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

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**February 10, 1998**

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. **ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT MARCH 10, 1998.**

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**February 17, 1998**

Acceptance of Service of Claim received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General February 11, 1998.

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**February 26, 1998**

Letter received from attorney for Defendant requesting a 30-day extension of time until March 30, 1998, in which to file Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Claim.

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**February 27, 1998**

Letter forwarded to Defendant granting Defendant a 30-day extension of time until March 30, 1998, in which to file Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Claim. Response due March 30, 1998.

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**March 31, 1998**

Letter received from attorney for Defendant requesting a 30-day extension of time in which to file Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Claim.

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**April 2, 1998**

Letter forwarded to Defendant granting Defendant's request for a 30-day extension of time in which to file Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Claim. Response due May 4, 1998.

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**May 11, 1998**

Letter filed by attorney for Defendant requesting until June 15, 1998, in which to file their response to Plaintiff's Claim. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

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**May 13, 1998**

Letter forwarded to Defendant granting Defendant until June 15,

1998 in which to file their response to Plaintiff's Claim. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

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**June 22, 1998**

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

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**July 1, 1998**

Letter forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff requesting response to Defendant's New Matter. Response due August 1, 1998.

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**July 31, 1998**

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

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**August 6, 1998**

Letter forwarded to parties directing parties to commence with discovery.

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**November 16, 1999**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties December 16, 1999.

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**November 19, 1999**

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

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**November 19, 1999**

Certificate of Service of Plaintiff's Request for Production of Documents and First Request for Answers to Interrogatories filed by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**November 29, 1999**

Amended Answer, New Matter and Counterclaim filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant. Response due from Plaintiff 1/3/00.

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**December 31, 1999**

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff requesting an

extension of time until February 4, 2000 in which to respond to Defendant's New Matter and Counterclaim.

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**January 5, 2000**

Letter forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff granting Plaintiff's request for an extension of time until February 4, 2000 in which to respond to Defendant's Amended New Matter and Counterclaim. **RESPONSE DUE FEBRUARY 4, 2000.**

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**February 7, 2000**

Plaintiff's Reply to Defendant's Amended New Matter and Counterclaim filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**February 10, 2000**

Letter forwarded to parties directing parties to commence with discovery.

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**February 14, 2000**

Counter-Reply to New Matter to Counterclaim filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

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**September 12, 2000**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties October 12, 2000.

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**\*October 2, 2000**

Withdrawal of Appearance of Randy J. Riley, Esquire and Entry of Appearance of Daniel K. Natirboff, Esquire filed by attorney for Plaintiff.

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**October 2, 2000**

Motion to Compel Discovery filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff. Response due from Defendant November 6, 2000.

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**March 19, 2001**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties April 19, 2001.

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**April 17, 2001**

Status letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the Claimant is currently preparing a settlement offer for submission to Defendant.

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**May 23, 2001**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties June 25, 2001.

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**June 25, 2001**

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

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**November 19, 2001**

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: **AND NOW**, this 19th day of November, 2001, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that the Defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, shall answer the discovery requests of Claimant, Presbyterian Medical Center of Washington, Pennsylvania, Inc., within thirty (30) days of the exit date of this Order or suffer sanctions.@ Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

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**November 29, 2001**

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated November 19, 2001 received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff November 27, 2001.

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**February 7, 2002**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties March 7, 2002.

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**March 8, 2002**

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

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**September 11, 2002**

Letter forwarded to parties requesting status. Response due from parties October 11, 2002.

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**October 15, 2002**

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are in discovery and upon completion of discovery, Plaintiff will pursue settlement.

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**November 22, 2005**

Board rendered an Opinion and Order. Order as follows: **"AND NOW**, this 22<sup>nd</sup> 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."

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