Docket Number: 2716

LANCASTER NURSING CENTER ASSOCIATES T/A, PALMYRA NURSING HOME

Samuel B. Fineman, Esquire Louis J. Capozzi, Jr., Esquire Donald R. Reavey, Esquire

VS.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

John A. Kane, Chief Counsel Leonard W. Crumb, Assistant Counsel Kathleen Grogan, Assistant Counsel

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July 22, 1998

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

July 23, 1998

Copy of Claim forwarded to attorney for Defendant and Chief Deputy Attorney General. ANSWER DUE FROM DEFENDANT 8/24/98. July 29, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Complaint received from attorney for Defendant. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant July 24, 1998.

July 31, 1998

Acceptance of Service of Complaint received from Chief Deputy Attorney General. Receipt of same acknowledged by Chief Deputy Attorney General July 27, 1998.

August 19, 1998

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

September 8, 1998

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

September 15, 1998

Letter forwarded to the parties directing them to proceed with discovery.

July 8, 1999

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status. Status Due August 9, 1999.

August 9, 1999

Letter/Status Report received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that after review of the permanent file by Plaintiff=s consultant, a position paper for the prior years will be prepared and submitted to Defendant and once that is complete, any additional discovery for this matter will be conducted.

November 23, 1999

Letter-type Stipulation of Withdrawal with Prejudice in Part of Only that Portion of Pending Disputes Concerning 1993-1996 Home Office Costs filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

March 17, 2000

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status. NOW DUE 4/17/00.

March 29, 2000

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are involved in a global settlement of claims in this matter a well as Docket numbers 2270 and 2498 allowing discovery to be held pending outcome of these negotiations.

April 27, 2001

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status. Due 5/29/01. April 30, 2001

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are involved in negotiations to resolve this appeal. If the parties are unable to reach a settlement Claimant will request a hearing before the Board.

October 30, 2001

Letter forwarded to parties requesting a status. Response due 11/30/01.

November 26, 2001

Letter received from attorney for Plaintiff advising that the parties are involved in negotiations to resolve this appeal. If the parties are unable to reach a settlement they will request a hearing.

May 10, 2002

Notice of Service of The First Set of Interrogatories of Claimant, Penn Med Consultants, Inc., et al., and Request for Production of Documents of Claimant filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff

May 28, 2002

Respondent=s Motion for General Continuance and Stay as well as Respondent=s Brief in Support of Motion for General Continuance and Stay filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

June 14, 2002

The Answer of Claimant, Lancaster Nursing Center Associates t/a Palmyra Nursing Home, to the Respondent=s Motion for General Continuance and Stay and Brief filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

October 9, 2002

The Board rendered an Opinion and made the following Order: AAND NOW, this 9th day of October, 2002, it is ORDERED and DECREED that the Defendant=s, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, Motion for General Continuance and Stay is DENIED. It is further ORDERED and DECREED that the Defendant shall respond to Plaintiff=s, Lancaster Nursing Center Associates, t/a, Palmyra Nursing Home, outstanding Request for Production of Documents and Interrogatories within thirty (30) days from the exit date of this Order. IT IS SO ORDERED.@ Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff and attorney for Defendant.

October 18, 2002

Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated October 9, 2002, received from attorney for Plaintiff. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Plaintiff October 16, 2002.

January 22, 2003

The Motion of the Claimant, Lancaster Nursing Center Associates, t/a Palmyra Nursing Home, For Discovery Sanctions Against the Respondent filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

January 22, 2003

The Brief in Support of the Motion of the Claimant, Lancaster Nursing Center Associates, t/a Palmyra Nursing Home, for Discovery Sanctions Against the Respondent filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

Defendant=s Response and Brief in Opposition due 2-24-03.

February 24, 2003

DPW=s Answer and New Matter in Opposition to Claimant=s Motion for Discovery Sanctions against DPW filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney for Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

February 24, 2003

DPW=s Brief in Support of its Answer and New Matter in Opposition to Claimant=s Motion for Discovery Sanctions against DPW filed by attorney for Defendant. Copy forwarded to attorney Plaintiff by attorney for Defendant.

April 2, 2003

The Answer of the Claimant, Lancaster Nursing Center Associates, T/A Palmyra Nursing Home, to the New Matter in Opposition to its Motion for Discovery Sanctions Against the Respondent filed by attorney for Plaintiff. Copy forwarded to attorney for Defendant by attorney for Plaintiff.

April 9, 2003

Notice of Service of Department=s Response to Claimant=s First Set of Interrogatories served upon Plaintiff by attorney Defendant. June 3, 2003

Board issued Opinion and Order. Order as follows: **AAND NOW**, this 3rd day of June, 2003, after consideration of the Motion and Answer thereto and the Briefs filed by the respective parties, it is **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that the Motion of the Claimant for Discovery Sanctions against the Defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Welfare, is hereby **GRANTED** and Defendant is **ORDERED** to provide full and complete Answers to any outstanding Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents within twenty (20) days of the exit date of this Order.@ Copies forwarded to Plaintiff and Defendant.

June 6, 2003

Defendant filed Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order. Receipt of same acknowledged by attorney for Defendant June 4, 2003.

June 9, 2003

Plaintiff filed Acceptance of Service of Opinion and Order dated June 3, 2003. Receipt of same acknowledged June 4, 2003.

June 13, 2003

Defendant filed Notice of Service of Department=s Response to Claimant=s Request for Production of Documents. Copy forwarded to Plaintiff.

November 29, 2005

Board rendered an Opinion and Order. Order as follows: "AND NOW, this 29th 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."