

BEFORE THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF EXISTING CLAIMS
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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**WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
July 10, 2014
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In re claim of:

EDDIE H RICHMOND)	
Claimant)	
)	Court Number: 2013-08821L
CITY OF NORMAN)	
Respondent)	
)	Claimant's Social Security
CITY OF NORMAN (OWN RISK #10970))	Number: xxx-xx-0919
Ins. Carrier)	

**ORDER DETERMINING COMPENSABILITY AND AWARDED
PERMANENT PARTIAL IMPAIRMENT BENEFITS**

Now on this 24th day of JUNE, 2014, this cause came on for consideration pursuant to regular assignment and hearing on JUNE 23, 2014, before JUDGE L BRAD TAYLOR, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at which time claimant appeared in person and by counsel, KURT W GOODWIN and respondent and insurance carrier appeared by counsel, JEANNE SNIDER.

The Court having considered the evidence and records on file, and being well and fully advised in the premises FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 -

THAT on MARCH 21, 2012, claimant was employed by the above named respondent and such employment was subject to and covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Code of the State of Oklahoma; and on said date claimant sustained accidental personal injury to the LEFT HAND arising out of and in the course of claimant's employment.

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THAT at time of injury, claimant's wages were sufficient to establish the rates of compensation at \$735.00 per week for temporary total disability and \$323.00 per week for permanent partial impairment.

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THAT claimant has a surgical scar extending down LEFT THUMB (MIDDLE) onto the palmar aspect of the LEFT HAND. Claimant had physical therapy to both the LEFT HAND and THUMB.

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THAT since the Court has found claimant's injury to the HAND, scar and disfigurement to the LEFT HAND is denied per statute.

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THAT claimant testified he has a decrease in strength and has numbness that goes into the LEFT PALM.

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THAT as a result of said injury, claimant sustained 19 percent permanent partial impairment to the LEFT HAND, for which claimant is entitled to compensation for 41.8 weeks at \$323.00 per week, or the total amount of \$13,501.40 of which 41.8 weeks have accrued and shall be paid in a lump sum of \$13,501.40.

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THAT respondent and/or insurance carrier shall pay all reasonable and necessary medical expenses incurred by claimant as a result of said injury.

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THAT respondent or insurance carrier shall pay claimant the award herein in lump sum of \$13,501.40 (less attorney fee).

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THAT respondent or insurance carrier shall pay court costs; Special Occupational Health and Safety Fund Tax shall be paid in the sum of \$101.26, representing three-fourths of one percent (0.75%). Respondent, if Own Risk, shall pay \$270.03 to the Workers' Compensation Administration Fund, representing two percent (2%) of the permanent disability award herein.

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THAT pursuant to Title 85 O.S. Section 368, a final award fee of one hundred forty dollars (\$140.00) is taxed as a cost in this matter, and shall be paid by respondent.

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THAT the sum of \$2,700.28 shall be deducted from the award herein and paid in lump sum to claimant's attorney as a fair and reasonable attorney fee; within twenty (20) days from the date of filing of this order, respondent or insurance carrier shall comply herewith.

BY ORDER OF:

/s/ 

L BRAD TAYLOR, JUDGE

A copy of the above and foregoing Court Order was mailed, by regular or Certified United States Mail, on this filed stamped date to:

Claimant's Attorney: WILLIAM E WOODSON
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Respondent's Attorney: JEANNE SNIDER
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I do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original order signed by the Judge herein. Witness by my hand and the official seal of this court on this date.

Kathina Siplanson

Acting Court Clerk
July 10, 2014

