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Workers' Compensation Claims Center



Mr. Anthony Colangelo
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101 Prospect Avenue, N. W.
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Re: Our File No. 130C 45 904 52-4
Insured: Sherwin Williams
Claimant:
Date of Event: 12-6-85

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Dear Tony,

This follows our letter of October 26, 1988. You will recall that I inquired at that time as to whether we would want to make a counter-offer to the \$80,000 demand of the claimant's attorney. Since we have not heard from you as of this date, we assume that it is your decision to not make a counter-offer.

As you had previously suggested that we look into a rehabilitation re-evaluation, we were wondering if you still thought we should proceed in this direction. You will recall that we previously pointed out that stroke was found to be work related and that the treating physician considered him totally disabled as a truck driver and not a candidate for any re-training or vocational rehabilitation. Further, the claimant was reasonably well-salaried and alternate employment would not bring him near his previous salary range. This would, of course, be a disincentive to a positive attitude going into any training program.

As in most jurisdictions, the Georgia Board interprets the law liberally to the benefit of the claimant. We would not expect, particularly in this case, to create a situation in which we could expect to discontinue or limit the claimant's present benefits.

By copy of this letter, we are giving Mr. David Smith the benefit of our thoughts. You may wish to discuss the matter further with him but, as you can see, it is our judgment that the only viable alternative to paying lifetime benefits on this case is to attempt to negotiate a settlement.

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