

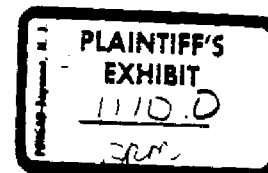
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February 27, 1962



Mr. William L. Hughes, Manager
Insurance Department
Armstrong Cork Company
Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Travelers Policy No. RUB-4490459

Dear Sir:-

Please note disposition made of the following claim:

Date of Accident: January 9, 1955

San Francisco, A.C. & P.

Claimant: Clifford P. Harding

Location: Sacramento, California

Claim No.: B 9527634

Disposition: 50.57 Perm. Partial

Remarks:

Very truly yours,

ALEXANDER & ALEXANDER INC.

LOSS DEPARTMENT

Indicate Whether:

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General Liability B.I.
P.D.

CLIFFORD P. HARDING

vs.

PLANT ASBESTOS CO.,
J. T. THORP & SONS, INC.,
et al

A. H. NELSON, Referee
September 21, 1961

Claim No. 60 SP 193-854
Inj: Asbestosis

REPORT OF REFEREE ON ORDER APPROVING
COMPROMISE AND RELEASE

Asbestos worker, born February 28, 1896, claims asbestosis as the result of industrial exposure in employments for numerous employers going back some 15 years. Overall, including his employments in the industry in various out-of-State localities, he has a history of approximately 30 years of intermittent exposure to asbestos dust.

The record shows that applicant continued working until May, 1959, when he was seized with sudden severe chest pains. He was hospitalized on a diagnosis of coronary occlusion. Chest X-rays taken at that time were interpreted as showing evidence of asbestosis.

It is now proposed to settle the case by the payment of \$3300.00, nothing having been paid heretofore.

Concerning the present cause of disability, Dr. Horton C. Hinshaw, Jr., states as follows:

"The degree of asbestosis evident on X-ray here would not be expected to lead to heart disease, and also the type of heart disease produced by lung disease is quite different from disease which leads to coronary occlusion, which this patient apparently has had. Consequently, it would be my opinion that his heart disease is a separate condition and not directly related to his asbestosis".

On the basis of pulmonary function tests, the doctor concluded in his final report that the patient's symptoms were to a large degree due to his heart disease and not to asbestosis. Indeed, on the basis of diffusion capacity test, it was his judgment that the asbestosis was so mild as not to be disabling or productive of any symptoms.

In an earlier report, Dr. Norbert Frey, on behalf of the applicant, had concluded that the patient had a moderate degree of pulmonary fibrosis, which was productive of some shortness of breath. He expressed no opinion concerning the industrial contribution to the over-all disability.

On the record, the settlement is fair and adequate.

DISPOSITION: Order Approving Compromise and Release to be paid to said applicant, less \$30.00 to Norbert Frey, M.D., and less attorneys' fee of \$300.00 and reimbursement costs of \$22.00 to be paid to applicant's attorneys out of the amount payable by State Compensation Insurance Fund.

A. H. NELSON, Referee

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