

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. **H306911**

ANTHONY ROBLEDO, EMPLOYEE	CLAIMANT
PLACE SERVICES INC., EMPLOYER	RESPONDENT
AMERISURE INSURANCE COMPANY/.INSURANCE CARRIER	RESPONDENT

OPINION/ORDER FILED MAY 23, 2024

Hearing before ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE JOSEPH C. SELF, in Springdale, Washington County, Arkansas.

Claimant is represented by STEVEN R. MCNEELY, Attorney, Jacksonville, Arkansas.

Respondents are represented by KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Attorney, Little Rock, Arkansas

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On February 7, 2024, claimant filed Form AR-C, alleging a compensable injury on June 24, 2021. He was represented at the time by Mr. Steven R. McNeely, who remains his attorney of record.

On February 12, 2024, Ms. Karen McKinney, attorney for respondent, and claimant's attorney filed a Joint Motion to Dismiss, alleging that claimant pursued his claim of this injury in the State of California. A hearing on claimant's Motion to Dismiss was scheduled for May 2, 2024. Notice of the scheduled hearing was sent to claimant by certified mail at the last known address in the Commission's file. The notice was delivered to claimant on March 23, 2024. Claimant did not respond to respondent's motion and did not appear in person at the hearing on May 2, 2024; claimant's attorney waived his appearance.

In reviewing the exhibits admitted at the hearing, I find that claimant pursued a claim for benefits for the same injury in the State of California and reached a settlement in that state for this injury. After my review of the joint motion, the Claimant's lack of response and failure to attend the

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hearing for the respondent's motion, as well as all other matters properly before the Commission, I find that respondent's Motion to Dismiss this claim should be and hereby is granted. This dismissal is pursuant to Commission Rule 099.13 and is without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

JOSEPH C. SELF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE