

ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION

June 2019 Minutes

On June 13–14, 2019, the Arkansas State Claims Commission (the “Claims Commission”) held hearings in the Claims Commission Hearing Room, 101 East Capitol Avenue, Suite 410, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dexter Booth, Commissioner  
Henry Kinslow, Commissioner  
Paul Morris, Chair Commissioner

***David Cash v. Arkansas Department of Transportation***, Claim No. 190750. Claimant filed his claim seeking \$349.62 in compensation for damage to his vehicle caused by a pothole. On March 7, 2019, the Claims Commission granted Respondent’s motion to dismiss and denied and dismissed the claim. At the hearing on Claimant’s motion for reconsideration, Claimant proceeded *pro se*. Trella A. Sparks and Steven W. Abed appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, the argument of the parties, and Arkansas law, the Claims Commission DENIED Claimant’s motion for reconsideration.

***Lillie McMullen v. Arkansas State Board of Collection Agencies***, Claim No. 14-0713-CC; ***Cook Law Firm v. Arkansas State Board of Collection Agencies***, Claim No. 14-0714-CC. Claimants’ claims were based upon Respondent’s failure to call a bond upon request by Claimants. McMullen sought \$25,000.00 in damages. Cook Law Firm sought \$13,831.23 in damages. At the hearing on Respondent’s motion to dismiss, Jeff Wood represented Claimants. Reid Adkins appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, the argument of the parties, and Arkansas law, the Claims Commission GRANTED Respondent’s motion to dismiss and DENIED and DISMISSED the claims.

***Star J. VanAllen v. Arkansas Department of Transportation***, Claim No. 190512. Claimant filed his claim seeking \$938.00 in damages for personal injuries and property caused when Claimant’s bicycle crashed on Respondent’s sidewalk. At the hearing on Respondent’s motion to dismiss, Claimant proceeded *pro se* via telephone. Steven W. Abed appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, the argument of the parties, and Arkansas law, the Claims Commission GRANTED Respondent’s motion to dismiss and DENIED and DISMISSED the claim.

***Kyasia Jefferson v. University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences***, Claim No. 181006. Claimant filed her claim seeking an unspecified amount of damages related to the release of Claimant’s personal health information by Respondent’s employees. At the hearing on Respondent’s motion for summary judgment, Tim Steadman and Jerry Garner represented Claimant. Sherri L. Robinson appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, the argument of the parties, and Arkansas law, the Claims Commission GRANTED Respondent’s motion for summary judgment and DENIED and DISMISSED the claim.

***Lynne M. Meek v. Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration***, Claim No. 190745. Claimant filed her claim seeking \$19,375.00 in damages based upon Respondent’s negligence in issuing the title. At the hearing, Claimant proceeded *pro se*. Greg Ivester appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, testimony, evidence, and the law of Arkansas, the Claims Commission held that Respondent was negligent in issuing the title contrary to Claimant’s instructions on the title application and AWARDED Claimant \$6,750.00 in damages.

***Dylan Davis v. Arkansas Tech University***, Claim No. 190475. Claimant filed his claim seeking \$1,800.00 in compensation for damage to his vehicle caused by rocks and other debris. At the hearing, Claimant proceeded *pro se*. Thomas W. Pennington appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based on the pleadings, testimony, evidence, and the law of the Arkansas, the Claims Commission DENIED and DISMISSED Claimant’s claim.

This completed all of the business on the June 2019 Claims Commission docket.

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**Kathryn Irby, Director**

Date: July 1, 2019