## **ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION**

## **December 2020 Minutes**

The Arkansas State Claims Commission (the "Claims Commission") held prehearing conferences related to *Sorvillo v. Hudson*, Claim No. 210669, on December 7, 2020; December 15, 2020; December 17, 2020; and December 30, 2020. These prehearing conferences were held via Zoom in keeping with the Governor's guidance regarding gatherings.

The following members of the Claims Commission were present at each of the prehearing conferences:

Dexter Booth Henry Kinslow Paul Morris, Chair Rep. Austin McCollum, Majority Leader, *ex officio* Rep. Tippi McCullough, Minority Leader, *ex officio* 

Commissioners Courtney Baird and Sylvester Smith recused from hearing this matter.

Rep. McCollum and Rep. McCullough were appointed as *ex officio*, nonvoting members of the Claims Commission for this claim pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-805(b)(4).

At the December 7, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted to permit any person to whom a subpoena is directed three business days to respond or object to the subpoena. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 8, 2020.

Also at the December 7, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted on a scheduling order, including deadlines and other prehearing and hearing dates. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 8, 2020.

At the December 15, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted to amend the scheduling order and to make certain discovery findings. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 16, 2020.

Also at the December 15, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted to deny the motions to dismiss filed by the Respondent. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 28, 2020.

Also at the December 15, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted to approve an agreed order for the opening of sealed ballot materials. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 17, 2020.

At the December 30, 2020, prehearing conference, the Claims Commission unanimously voted to grant in part the Claimant's motion for additional time to submit exhibits and final exhibit list. This vote was memorialized in an Order entered by the Claims Commission on December 31, 2020.

This completed all of the business on the December 2020 Claims Commission docket.

Kathryn Irby, Director

Date: January 8, 2021