

ARKANSAS STATE CLAIMS COMMISSION

July 2024 Minutes

The Arkansas State Claims Commission (the “Commission”) scheduled hearings on July 18–19, 2024 via Zoom.

Hearings scheduled for July 18, 2024

The following members of the Commission were present:

Henry Kinslow, chair  
Paul Morris  
Sylvester Smith

1. (Other Agency Business) The panel reviewed and approved the entry of proposed orders numbered B1–7 and B9–13 on the attached list without discussion. Following the hearing, Commission staff pulled B11 due to an error discovered after approval.

Additional hearings scheduled for July 18, 2024

The following members of the Commission were present:

Solomon Graves  
Henry Kinslow, chair  
Sylvester Smith

1. **Timothy Axelson v. Ark. Div. of Correction**, Claim No. 200548. [prior to the beginning of the hearing, Claimant objected to Commissioner Graves’ participation on the panel, and the hearing was continued]
2. **Ricky Scott v. Ark. Div. of Correction**, Claim No. 210588. Claimant filed this claim seeking damages related to the revocation of his hobbycraft card. Prior to the beginning of the status conference, Claimant stated that he did not object to Commissioner Graves’ participation on panel. At the status conference, Claimant appeared *pro se*, and Kris Higdon appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based upon a review of the claim file, the statements of the parties and the law of the State of Arkansas, the Commission found that the claim should be added to the hearing schedule as soon as practicable.
3. **Marcus Fields v. Ark. Div. of Correction**, Claim No. 181013. Claimant filed this claim seeking damages related to lost property. Prior to the beginning of hearing, Claimant stated that he did not object to Commissioner Graves’ participation on panel. At the hearing on Claimant’s motion for reconsideration, Claimant appeared *pro se*, and Kris Higdon appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based upon the review of claim file, the argument of the parties, and the law of the State of Arkansas, the Commission granted Claimant’s motion for reconsideration and set aside its September 22, 2023, dismissal order and found that the claim should be added to the hearing schedule as soon as practicable.
4. **William Gullion v. Ark. Div. of Correction**, Claim No. 200217. Claimant filed this claim seeking damages related to Respondent’s actions with respect to the Step Down program. Prior to the beginning of the status conference, Claimant stated that he did not object to Commissioner Graves’ participation on panel. At the status conference, Claimant appeared *pro se*, and Trent Rigdon appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based upon a review of the claim file, the statements of the parties and the law of the State of Arkansas, the Commission asked the parties to notify it when the claim should be added to the hearing schedule.
5. **James Jackson v. Ark. Div. of Correction**, Claim No. 240547. Claimant filed this claim seeking damages relating to an unauthorized deduction from his inmate account. Prior to the beginning of the hearing, Claimant stated that he did not object to Commissioner Graves’ participation on panel. At the hearing on the claim, Claimant appeared *pro se*, and Thomas Burns appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based upon a review of the claim file, the witness

testimony and evidence presented, and the law of the State of Arkansas, the Commission awarded Claimant \$25.00 in damages.

6. ***Steven McArthur v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 211186. Claimant filed this claim seeking damages related to Respondent's failure to provide Claimant with a key to a locker box, which resulted in lost property. Prior to the beginning of hearing, Claimant stated that he did not object to Commissioner Graves' participation on panel. At the hearing on Claimant's to compel, Claimant appeared *pro se*, and Trent Rigdon appeared on behalf of Respondent. Based upon the review of claim file, the argument of the parties, and the law of the State of Arkansas, the Commission granted Claimant's motion to compel and directed Respondent to serve answers to requests for admission within ten days of the order.
7. (Other Agency Business) The panel reviewed and approved the entry of proposed orders numbered A1-56 and C1-64 on the attached list without discussion. Following the hearing, Commission staff determined that there was no A36 due to a misnumbering.

Hearings scheduled for July 19, 2024

The following members of the Commission were scheduled to be on the panel:

Solomon Graves  
Henry Kinslow, chair  
Sylvester Smith

1. ***Clifton Thompson v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 220857. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
2. ***Courtney Smith v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 230928. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
3. ***Chris Laughlin v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 221160. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
4. ***Mark Ferrell v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 210898. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
5. ***Steven Obama v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 240120. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
6. ***Howard Leach v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 221044. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
7. ***Howard Leach v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 220586. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
8. ***Bart Woodard v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 221170. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]
9. ***Brogan Lane v. Ark. Div. of Correction***, Claim No. 220218. [prior to the hearing, this matter was continued for a quorum issue due to a commissioner's family emergency]

This completed the business on the July 2024 Commission docket.



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**Kathryn Irby, Director**

Date: November 25, 2024

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<b><u>Dropbox No.</u></b>	<b><u>Claim No.</u></b>	<b><u>Claimant</u></b>	<b><u>Agency</u></b>	
A1	241861	Berry	ARDOT	SENT
A2	241772	Coe	ARDOT	SENT
A3	241739	Douglas	ARDOT	SENT
A4	241975	McCree	AHERS	SENT
A5	241929	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A6	241930	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A7	241931	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A8	241932	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A9	241933	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A10	241934	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A11	241935	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A12	241936	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A13	241937	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A14	241938	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A15	241939	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A16	241940	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A17	241941	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A18	241942	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A19	241943	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A20	241944	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A21	241945	Oberle	AHERS	SENT
A22	241901	Wilson	AID	SENT
A23	240921	Arkansas Specialty Care	AID	SENT
A24	221168	Arkansas Specialty Care Centers PA	AID	SENT
A25	240223	King	APERS	SENT
A26	240224	King	APERS	SENT
A27	241988	Bowling	DFA	SENT
A28	241826	Buss	DFA	SENT
A29	241827	Buss	DFA	SENT
A30	240836	Comstock and Comstock	DFA	SENT
A31	241819	Cursh and Wilson	DFA	SENT
A32	241812	The Estate of Jenkins	DFA	SENT
A33	241989	The Estate of Northen	DFA	SENT
A34	242005	French	DFA	SENT
A35	241993	Henderson and Henderson	DFA	SENT
A36		Skipped Number		
A37	241996	Henderson and Henderson	DFA	SENT
A38	241998	Jackson	DFA	SENT
A39	241973	Lajuan	DFA	SENT
A40	241811	Mason and Mason	DFA	SENT
A41	241815	Oberle	DFA	SENT
A42	241751	Garrett	ASP	SENT
A43	241816	Oberle	DFA	SENT
A44	241817	Oberle	DFA	SENT
A45	240388	Owens and Owens	DFA	SENT

A46	241820	Ruminer	DFA	SENT
A47	241821	Ruminer	DFA	SENT
A48	241972	Smallwood	DFA	SENT
A49	241810	Tupper and Tupper	DFA	SENT
A50	240778	Vaughn	DFA	SENT
A51	241793	Arkansas Copier Center	DOH	SENT
A52	241794	Arkansas Copier Center	DOH	SENT
A53	241795	Arkansas Copier Center	DOH	SENT
A54	241796	Arkansas Copier Center	DOH	SENT
A55	241797	Arkansas Copier Center	DOH	SENT
A56	241909	Bank of America	AOC	SENT
B1	241977	Addison	ADC	SENT
B2	210746	McClure	ADC	SENT
B3	241708	Payne	ADC	SENT
B4	241852	Lonix	ADC	SENT
B5	241913	Hogue	ADC	SENT
B6	240415	McKinney	ADC	SENT
B7	211116	Wilbert	ADC	SENT
B8	220111	Carroll	ADC	PULLED BY CC STAFF PRIOR TO APPROVAL
B9	241990	Bond	ADC	SENT
B10	241948	Obama	ADC	SENT
B11	241648	Provencio	APB & ADC	PULLED BY CC STAFF AFTER APPROVAL TO SUBMIT CORRECTED VERSION
B12	240672	Spicer	ADC	SENT
B13	242020	Thornsberry	ADC	SENT
C1	210377	Northrop Grumman	DHS	SENT
C2	221460	US Patent and Trademark Office	ASL	SENT
C3	241112	Allen	ArDOT	SENT
C4	241249	Ficklin	ArDOT	SENT
C5	241264	French	ArDOT	SENT
C6	241301	Taylor	ArDOT	SENT
C7	241644	Stevenson	ArDOT	SENT
C8	220133	Edwards	ArDOT	SENT
C9	241654	Castro	ArDOT	SENT
C10	241670	Williams	DFA	SENT
C11	241690	Kizer	ArDOT	SENT

C12	241696	Jackson	ArDOT	SENT
C13	241697	Morris	ArDOT	SENT
C14	241719	Muldraw	ArDOT	SENT
C15	241724	Smith	ArDOT	SENT
C16	241728	Plyler	ArDOT	SENT
C17	241729	Kinard	ArDOT	SENT
C18	241731	Burks	ArDOT	SENT
C19	241732	Allen	ArDOT	SENT
C20	241736	Colter	ArDOT	SENT
C21	241737	Sessler and Seigrist	ArDOT	SENT
C22	241740	Jones	ArDOT	SENT
C23	241742	Weatherspoon	ArDOT	SENT
C24	241744	Rowland	ArDOT	SENT
C25	241745	Glenn	ArDOT	SENT
C26	241748	Davis	ArDOT	SENT
C27	241749	Hanson	AMHC	SENT
C28	241752	Harris	ASP and ArDOT	SENT
C29	241754	Anthony	ArDOT	SENT
C30	241762	Conley	ArDOT	SENT
C31	241766	Ruddell	ArDOT	SENT
C32	241768	Mason	ArDOT	SENT
C33	241771	Wilson	ArDOT	SENT
C34	241775	Martin	ArDOT	SENT
C35	241784	McDaniel	ArDOT	SENT
C36	241785	Fisher	ArDOT	SENT
C37	241786	Morgan	ArDOT	SENT
C38	241787	Tchapock	ArDOT	SENT
C39	241788	Rabb	ArDOT	SENT
C40	241790	Henson	ArDOT	SENT
C41	241792	Anderson	ArDOT	SENT
C42	241805	Stone	ArDOT	SENT
C43	241832	White	ArDOT	SENT
C44	241835	Toots	ArDOT	SENT
C45	241843	Mason	DFA	SENT
C46	241844	Williams	ArDOT	SENT
C47	241849	Davis	ArDOT	SENT
C48	241851	Zenkovich	ASP	SENT
C49	241854	Jones	ArDOT	SENT
C50	241856	Ewings	ArDOT	SENT
C51	241857	Koon	ArDOT	SENT
C52	241860	Robinson	ArDOT	SENT
C53	241862	Flemens	ArDOT	SENT
C54	241863	Morgan	ArDOT	SENT
C55	241866	Colter	ArDOT	SENT
C56	241871	Holmes	ArDOT	SENT
C57	17-0581-CC	Mobley	ArDOT	SENT

C58	17-0582-CC	Mobley	ArDOT	SENT
C59	241415	Hogan	ACC	SENT
C60	241584	Cardiel	ARDOT	SENT
C61	241802	Randall	ARDOT	SENT
C62	220466	Morgan and Morgan	ARDOT	SENT
C63	241655	Spaunhorst	ARDOT	SENT
C64	240743	Harris	ArDOT	SENT