

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

EMMA SHAKHMALIAN, *Applicant*

vs.

**ABBOTT LABORATORIES; OLD REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY,
administered by MATRIX ABSENCE MANAGEMENT, and GALLAGHER
BASSETT SERVICES, INC., *Defendants***

**Adjudication Numbers: ADJ11304983, ADJ11305165
Van Nuys District Office**

**OPINION AND ORDER
GRANTING PETITION FOR
RECONSIDERATION**

Reconsideration has been sought with regard to the decision filed on March 11, 2021.

Taking into account the statutory time constraints for acting on the petition, and based upon our initial review of the record, we believe reconsideration must be granted to allow sufficient opportunity to further study the factual and legal issues in this case. We believe that this action is necessary to give us a complete understanding of the record and to enable us to issue a just and reasoned decision. Reconsideration will be granted for this purpose and for such further proceedings as we may hereafter determine to be appropriate.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that Reconsideration is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pending the issuance of a Decision After Reconsideration in the above case, all further correspondence, objections, motions, requests and communications *relating to the petition* shall be filed only with the Office of the Commissioners of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board at either its street address (455 Golden Gate Avenue, 9th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94102) or its Post Office Box address (P.O. Box 429459, San Francisco, CA 94142-9459), and shall not be submitted to the district office from which the WCJ's decision issued or to any other district office of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, and shall not be e-filed in the Electronic Adjudication Management System (EAMS). Any documents relating to the petition for reconsideration lodged in violation of this order may not be accepted for filing nor deemed filed.

All trial level documents not related to the petition for reconsideration shall continue to be e-filed through EAMS or, to the extent permitted by the Rules of the Administrative Director, filed in paper form.¹ If, however, a proposed settlement is being filed, the petitioner for reconsideration should promptly notify the Appeals Board because a WCJ cannot act on a settlement while a case is pending before the Appeals Board on a grant of reconsideration. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, former § 10859, now § 10961 (eff. Jan. 1, 2020).)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

/s/ KATHERINE A. ZALEWSKI, CHAIR

I CONCUR,

/s/ MARGUERITE SWEENEY, COMMISSIONER

/s/ JOSÉ H. RAZO, COMMISSIONER



DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

MAY 6, 2021

SERVICE MADE ON THE ABOVE DATE ON THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW AT THEIR ADDRESSES SHOWN ON THE CURRENT OFFICIAL ADDRESS RECORD.

**EMMA SHAKHMALIAN
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MISA STEFEN KOLLER WARD**

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I certify that I affixed the official seal of
the Workers' Compensation Appeals
Board to this original decision on this date.
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¹ Such trial level documents include, but are not limited to, declarations of readiness, lien claims, trial level petitions (e.g., petitions for penalties, deposition attorney's fees), stipulations with request for award, compromise and release agreements, etc.).