

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

**KATHLEEN TAFOYA, *Applicant***

**vs.**

**GARDA CL TECHNICAL SERVICES;  
NEW HAMPSHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, *Defendants***

**Adjudication Number: ADJ11885857  
Riverside District Office**

**OPINION AND ORDER  
GRANTING PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION  
AND DECISION AFTER RECONSIDERATION**

We have considered the allegations of the Petition for Reconsideration and the contents of the report of the workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ) with respect thereto. Defendant contends that the Stipulations and Award at issue were not signed by defendant, and so that the Award that issued on June 15, 2022 is not valid because it was based on a legal error. The WCJ recommended that we rescind the Award and return the matter for further proceedings. Accordingly, as requested by the WCJ, we grant reconsideration, rescind the WCJ's decision, and return this matter to the WCJ for further proceedings and decision. This is not a final decision on the merits of any issues raised in the petition and any aggrieved person may timely seek reconsideration of the WCJ's new decision.

For the foregoing reasons,

**IT IS ORDERED** that reconsideration of the decision of June 15, 2022 is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** as the Decision After Reconsideration of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board that the decision of June 15, 2022 is **RESCINDED** and that the matter is **RETURNED** to the trial level for further proceedings and decision by the WCJ.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD**

**/s/ MARGUERITE SWEENEY, COMMISSIONER**

I CONCUR,

**/s/ PATRICIA A. GARCIA, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER**

**/s/ JOSÉ H. RAZO, COMMISSIONER**



**DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**August 16, 2022**

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

**KATHLEEN TAFOYA  
MITCHELL LAW  
MULLEN & FILIPPI**

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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. o.o*