WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ARACELY OLIVA, Applicant

VS.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, permissibly self-insured, SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, Defendants

Adjudication Number: ADJ9746012 Los Angeles District Office

OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND DECISION AFTER RECONSIDERATION

The Appeals Board has been advised that, while this matter has been pending on reconsideration, a proposed settlement as to the issue under dispute has been reached by way of stipulation. The proposed stipulation signed by the parties requests that the WCAB or workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ) issue an order approving an agreement as to applicant attorney fees, and that upon issuance of such approval, the petition for reconsideration will be withdrawn.

Therefore, we will grant reconsideration, rescind the decision from which reconsideration is sought, and return this matter to the trial level for the workers' compensation administrative law judge (WCJ) to hold further proceedings to consider the proposed stipulation as well as issue a new findings, decision and award addressing all issues initially raised, including the proposed settlement of the parties on the issue of attorney fees, or a proposed stipulated settlement of all issues by the parties.

Alternatively, the WCJ may issue an order reinstating the original decision and any aggrieved person may timely seek reconsideration from the reinstated decision. This is not a final decision on the merits of any of the issues pending on reconsideration.

For the foregoing reasons,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Reconsideration is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED as the Decision After Reconsideration of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board that the WCJ's decision of May 14, 2024 is **RESCINDED** and this matter is **RETURNED** to the trial level for further proceedings and decision by the WCJ.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

/s/ JOSEPH V. CAPURRO, COMMISSIONER

I CONCUR,

/s/ JOSÉ H. RAZO, COMMISSIONER



/s/ ANNE SCHMITZ, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

DATED AND FILED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

July 18, 2024

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

ARACELY OLIVA GRAIWER, KAPLAN, VERNIK & EVANS BLACK & ROSE

LAS/abs

I certify that I affixed the official seal of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board to this original decision on this date. *abs*