

APPEAL NO. 011172  
FILED JULY 10, 2001

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on May 3, 2001. The hearing officer determined that appellant (claimant) did not sustain a compensable injury and that she did not have disability. Claimant appealed these determinations on sufficiency grounds. Respondent self-insured (carrier herein) responded that the Appeals Panel should affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

DECISION

We affirm.

We have reviewed the complained-of determinations and conclude that the issues involved fact questions for the hearing officer. The hearing officer reviewed the record and decided what facts were established. The hearing officer could find from the evidence that claimant had preexisting problems with both the lateral and medial menisci of the right knee. We conclude that the hearing officer's determinations are not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong or manifestly unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175, 176 (Tex. 1986).

We affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

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Judy L. S. Barnes  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Thomas A. Knapp  
Appeals Judge

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Philip F. O'Neill  
Appeals Judge