

APPEAL NO. 012327  
FILED NOVEMBER 8, 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 August 27, 2001. The appellant (carrier) appeals the hearing officer's determinations that the respondent's (claimant) date of injury was \_\_\_\_\_; that the claimant sustained a compensable injury in the form of an occupational disease; and that the carrier is not relieved of liability because the claimant timely notified his employer of the claimed injury. There is no response to the appeal contained in our file from the claimant.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The hearing officer did not err in determining that the claimant's date of injury was \_\_\_\_\_; that the claimant sustained a compensable injury; and that he timely reported the injury to his employer. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). The claimant testified and submitted medical evidence to support his case. The carrier attempted to discredit the claimant's testimony, but it appears that the hearing officer found him to be credible. The hearing officer's decision is supported by sufficient evidence and it is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong and unjust.

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **AMERICAN HOME ASSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY  
800 BRAZOS, SUITE 750, COMMODORE I  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701.**

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Susan M. Kelley  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Elaine M. Chaney  
Appeals Judge

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Gary L. Kilgore  
Appeals Judge