

APPEAL NO. 013183  
FILED FEBRUARY 12, 2002

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 December 10, 2001. The hearing officer determined that appellant (claimant) is not entitled to change treating doctors. Claimant appealed this determination, contending that he sought a change for a proper reason. Respondent (carrier) responded that the Appeals Panel should affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

DECISION

We affirm.

We have reviewed the determination regarding the request to change treating doctors and conclude that this issue involved a fact question for the hearing officer. Texas Workers' Compensation Commission Appeal No. 011097, decided June 25, 2001. The hearing officer reviewed the record and decided what facts were established. We perceive no error in the application of Section 408.022. We conclude that the hearing officer's determination is 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.

According to information provided by carrier, the true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **AMERICAN PROTECTION INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY  
800 BRAZOS  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701.**

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Judy L. S. Barnes  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Michael B. McShane  
Appeals Judge

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Edward Vilano  
Appeals Judge