

APPEAL NO. 020219  
FILED MARCH 20, 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 13, 2001. On the sole issue, the hearing officer determined that the compensable (right hip fracture) injury sustained on \_\_\_\_\_, extends to include a follow-on injury to the right shoulder. The appellant (carrier) appeals the determination on sufficiency grounds. No response was filed by the respondent (claimant).

DECISION

Affirmed.

The hearing officer did not err in determining that the compensable injury extends to include a follow-on injury to the right shoulder. This was a question of fact for the hearing officer to resolve. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence (Section 410.165(a)) and, as the trier of fact, resolves the conflicts and inconsistencies in the evidence, including the medical evidence (Texas Employers Insurance Association v. Campos, 666 S.W.2d 286 (Tex. App.-Houston [14th Dist.] 1984, no writ)). In view of the medical evidence presented, we cannot conclude that the hearing officer's determination is 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 (Tex. 1986).

The decision and order of the hearing officer are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the carrier is **TEXAS MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**MR. RUSSELL R. OLIVER, PRESIDENT  
221 WEST 6TH STREET  
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Edward Vilano  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Susan M. Kelley  
Appeals Judge

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Thomas A. Knapp  
Appeals Judge