

APPEAL NO. 030701  
FILED MAY 8, 2003

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 February 27, 2003. The hearing officer determined that the \_\_\_\_\_, compensable injury of the appellant (claimant) includes an L4-5 small left central disc herniation/protrusion without central spinal canal stenosis, but does not extend to include multi-level degenerative desiccation and anterior spondylosis consistent with spondylosis deformans, L5-S1 marked narrowing of the intervertebral disc and facet hypertrophy producing minimal lateral recess stenosis; front tooth loss; and/or depression/anxiety. Claimant appeals the adverse determination regarding extent of injury on sufficiency grounds. Respondent (carrier) responded that the Appeals Panel should affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

DECISION

We affirm.

We have reviewed the complained-of determination and conclude that the issue involved a fact question for the hearing officer. The hearing officer reviewed the record and decided what facts were established. We conclude that the hearing officer's determination is supported by the record and 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 HOME ASSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**ROBERT PARNELL  
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Judy L. S. Barnes  
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

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Thomas A. Knapp  
Appeals Judge

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Margaret L. Turner  
Appeals Judge