

APPEAL NO. 031645
FILED JULY 31, 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 May 21, 2003. The hearing officer determined that the appellant's (claimant) _____, compensable injury does not extend to include the cervical spine. The claimant appealed on sufficiency of the evidence grounds, and the respondent (carrier) responded, urging affirmance.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The issue of extent of injury involved a factual question 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). As the finder of fact, the hearing officer resolves the conflicts in the evidence and determines what facts have been established from the evidence presented. Nothing in our review of the record indicates that the hearing officer's decision 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, 176 (Tex. 1986).

We affirm the decision and order of the hearing officer.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **FINANCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

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Chris Cowan
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Thomas A. Knapp
Appeals Judge

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