

APPEAL NO. 030302
FILED MARCH 19, 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 January 13, 2003. The hearing officer determined that the respondent's (claimant) _____, compensable injury extends to and includes a left knee injury in the form of a lateral meniscus tear and that the claimant had disability from July 28 through December 2, 2002. The respondent (carrier) appeals this decision. The claimant urges affirmance.

DECISION

Affirmed.

Whether the compensable injury includes the claimant's left knee and whether he had disability were factual questions for the hearing officer to resolve. Conflicting evidence was presented at the hearing on the disputed issues in this case. 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).

The hearing officer's decision and order is affirmed.

The true corporate name of 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:

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