

## **Expedited Lump Sum Hearings / Joint Request for Expedited 52-5-12(D) Hearing**

The New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration designates an on-call pro tempore judge to hear stipulated NMSA §52-5-12(D) lump sum hearings every Friday. The process is strictly voluntary – parties always have the option to receive an assigned judge and request a setting before the assigned judge. The WCA will post notice on the website if hearings will be canceled. In the event of a canceled docket, those cases will be heard on the next scheduled docket.

The docket will be prepared each Monday (or first working day of the week) and will include all Joint Petitions filed with an Expedited Request from the previous week (Saturday-Friday). The pro tempore judge(s) will issue Notices of Hearing containing the scheduled date, time, and format of the hearing. If parties are unable to attend at the scheduled time, that judge can reschedule for another time convenient for him or her. Parties do not need to refile the pleadings.

To qualify for an expedited hearing to approve a 52-5-12(D) lump sum settlement, the parties shall fulfill the following requirements **before** their petition will be heard by the pro tempore judge:

1. File a signed Joint Petition for §52-5-12(D) Lump Sum Payment with the WCA Clerk of the Court.
2. Complete and file a Joint Request for Expedited Section §52-5-12(D) Hearing certifying that all requirements have been met; and
3. Have a proposed Order approving the §52-5-12(D) Lump Sum Settlement for presentation to the judge at the hearing.

Any questions may be directed to Heather Jordan at (505) 841-6028.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADMINISTRATION**

\_\_\_\_\_, WCA No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Worker,  
v. \_\_\_\_\_, and  
\_\_\_\_\_,  
Employer/Insurer.

**JOINT REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED SECTION 52-5-12(D) HEARING**

The parties have entered an agreement for a lump sum payment under NMSA §52-5-12(D) and agree as follows:

1. They request an expedited hearing with a pro tempore judge;
2. A stipulated joint petition for NMSA §52-5-12(D) Lump Sum Payment has been executed and filed with the WCA Clerk;
3. A signed proposed Order approving the NMSA §52-5-12(D) Lump Sum Payment will be submitted at the hearing.
4. Is an interpreter needed for the hearing on this application? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, what language? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Employer will pay for cost of interpreter.)

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Worker/ Worker's Representative signature

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Employer/Insurer Representative signature

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Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Print Name

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Date