

**Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

**Call to Order:** Chairwoman Maureen Quinn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Present:** Chairwoman Quinn and Commissioners James Forrester, Allan Kittleman, Morrisann Martin, Howard Metz, Ju Oh and Tracey Parker-Warren.

Staff members attending were Mary Ahearn, Scott Curtis, Dr. Jerome Reichmister and Stacey L. Roig, Secretary.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the May 11, 2023 Commission meeting were reviewed. Upon motion of Commissioner Forrester and second by Commissioner Kittleman, the Minutes were approved with a unanimous vote.

**Chair's Report:**

- Chair Quinn discussed Landlord/Tenant issues in Baltimore and LaPlata. Hearings will continue at the Fairfield Inn in Cumberland until December 2023 and then return to the Comfort Inn in LaVale.
- Chair Quinn announced that Pending Case numbers are still in good shape. She thanked the Commissioners and staff for their part in keeping the case numbers in a good range.
- Chair Quinn discussed some ethical situations to be aware of in relation to gifts received by State employees, including the Commissioners.
- Chair Quinn also announced that two new Claims Reviewers have been hired and will be starting soon.
- Chair Quinn also reminded the Commissioners that CompHub training will be held on July 20, 2023. Training will begin after the meeting at 10:00am. This is mandatory training.
- Mary Ahearn, CEO discussed new computers and bandwidth upgrades that are expected to be installed and ready for use by the end of June.
- The discussion continued regarding the placement of witness chairs and the ability for the Commissioners to be able to see the witnesses during their testimony. The situation will be addressed by facilities management.
- Commissioner Parker-Warren discussed garage safety and suggested returning to the installation of mirrors at the garage entry from the alley for safety when entering and exiting the garage.

**Old Business:** No Report

**New Business:** No Report

**Medical Alerts:** Dr. Reichmister discussed several medical alerts of interest to the Commissioners.

**Other Announcements:** Commissioner Martin discussed requests for placement on the docket and multiple WCC hearing locations in the same day. Scott Curtis announced that a student from St. Andrews University will be coming to the Commission. He will be following Scott and observing a hearing docket.

**Adjournment:** Upon a motion by Commissioner Forrester and second by Commissioner Oh and upon unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

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Maureen Quinn, Chairwoman

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Stacey L. Roig, Secretary