IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

1995 MTWCC 49

WCC No. 9502-7233

PETE MAVITY

Petitioner

VS.

CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL

Respondent.

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR PARTIES REVIEW OF COURT RECORD

<u>Summary</u>: Following trial, the Court asked the Court Reporter to provide it with an unedited, computer-generated transcript for its own use in supplementing the Court's handwritten notes and checking any critical points of testimony. Petitioner has moved the Court to provide a copy of the unedited transcript.

<u>Held</u>: Motion denied and unedited transcript returned to Court Reporter without being viewed by the Court. If the parties desire a transcript, they must order a transcript from the Court reporter and pay appropriate fees.

Topics:

Transcripts. Although Workers' Compensation Court received unedited, computergenerated transcript from court reporter to supplement its handwritten notes from trial and assist in checking any critical points of testimony, the Court would not provide that transcript to parties, who must order an official transcript and pay official fees if they desire a trial transcript.

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Petitioner has filed a motion asking the Court to distribute to the parties a computerized, rough draft transcript of the trial in this matter. The Court asked the court reporter to provide it with an unedited, computer-generated transcript for its own use, primarily to supplement its own notes on some key testimony. The Court notified the parties that it was not requesting a certified transcript because its own notes are detailed and the rough transcript would only constitute a double check on some key points of testimony. I recall specifically telling the parties that if they wished a transcript, they were free to order one from the court reporter.

It now appears that the parties see an opportunity to avoid payment of court reporter fees for a transcript. Therefore, the Court is returning the rough transcript to the court reporter. I have not read that transcript or any part of it.

Motion denied.

Dated in Helena, Montana, this 19th day of June, 1995.

(SEAL)

c: Mr. Rex Palmer

Mr. Bradley J. Luck

Ms. Melody Jeffries Peters