

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 15-740V

Filed: March 18, 2016

UNPUBLISHED

AMY LOEDING,

Petitioner,

SECRETARY OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

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Damages Decision Based on Proffer;
Influenza;
Shoulder Injury (SIRVA);
Special Processing Unit (“SPU”)

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DECISION AWARDING DAMAGES¹

Dorsey, Chief Special Master:

On July 16, 2015, petitioner filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*,² (the “Vaccine Act”). Petitioner alleges that she suffered a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration (“SIRVA”) and brachial neuritis following receipt of her October 10, 2014 influenza vaccination. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On October 15, 2015, a ruling on entitlement was issued, finding petitioner entitled to compensation for SIRVA. On March 18, 2016, respondent filed a proffer on award of compensation (“Proffer”) indicating petitioner should be awarded \$100,000.00. Proffer at 1. In the Proffer, respondent represented that petitioner agrees with the

¹ Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, the undersigned intends to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012)(Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, the undersigned agrees that the identified material fits within this definition, the undersigned will redact such material from public access.

² National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all “§” references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2012).

proffered award. Based on the record as a whole, the undersigned finds that petitioner is entitled to an award as stated in the Proffer.

Pursuant to the terms stated in the attached Proffer, **the undersigned awards petitioner a lump sum payment of \$100,000.00 in the form of a check payable to petitioner, Amy Loeding.** This amount represents compensation for all damages that would be available under § 300aa-15(a).

The clerk of the court is directed to enter judgment in accordance with this decision.³

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Nora Beth Dorsey
Nora Beth Dorsey
Chief Special Master

³ Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), entry of judgment can be expedited by the parties' joint filing of notice renouncing the right to seek review.

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Chief Special Master Nora Beth Dorsey
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RESPONDENT'S PROFFER ON AWARD OF COMPENSATION

On October 13, 2015, respondent filed her Rule 4(c) Report, in which she recommended that the Court find petitioner entitled to compensation, and on October 15, 2015, the Court entered its Ruling on Entitlement, finding petitioner entitled to compensation. Respondent now proffers that petitioner receive an award of a lump sum of **\$100,000.00** in the form of a check payable to petitioner. This amount represents compensation for all elements of compensation under 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-15(a) to which petitioner is entitled.¹

Petitioner agrees with the proffered award of \$100,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ This proffer does not include any award for attorneys' fees and costs that may be awarded pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-15(e).

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