

In the United States Court of Federal Claims
OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS
No. 09-0611V
(Not to be published)

AMANDA DITOMASSO,
Petitioner,
v.
SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES
Respondent.

Filed: June 28, 2011
Decision on Attorney's
Fees and Costs

DECISION¹ (ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS)

In this case under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program,² I issued a decision on March 29, 2011. On June 28, 2011, the parties filed a stipulation concerning attorneys' fees and costs in this matter. The parties' stipulation requests a total payment of \$12,343.90, representing \$11,632.50 in attorney's fees and \$711.40 in costs.

An award for fees and costs is appropriate at this time, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-15(b) and (e)(1). Further, the proposed amount seems reasonable and appropriate. **Accordingly, I hereby award the total \$12,343.90 as a lump sum in the form of a check payable jointly to petitioner, Amanda Ditomasso, and petitioner's counsel, W. Anthony Stevens, Jr.**

¹ The undersigned intends to post this decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, § 205, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (codified as amended at 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2006)). As provided by Vaccine Rule 18(b), each party has 14 days within which to request redaction "of any information furnished by that party (1) that is trade secret or commercial or financial information and is privileged or confidential, or (2) that are medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy." Vaccine Rule 18(b). Otherwise, "the entire" decision will be available to the public. Id.

² The applicable statutory provisions defining the program are found at 42 U.S.C. § 300aa-10 *et seq.* (2006).

In the absence of a timely-filed motion for review filed pursuant to Appendix B of the Rules of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the clerk of the court shall enter judgment in accordance herewith.

IT IS SO ORDERED

/s/ George L. Hastings, Jr.
George L. Hastings, Jr.
Special Master

