

# In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 11-795 V

Filed: August 3, 2012

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LAURA LARUE,

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Petitioner,

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v.

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Attorneys' Fees & Costs Decision

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH  
AND HUMAN SERVICES,

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Respondent.

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Edward M. Kraus, Chicago, IL, for petitioner.

Julia W. McInerny, Washington, DC, for respondent.

**MILLMAN, Special Master**

### **DECISION AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS<sup>1</sup>**

On August 2, 2012, petitioner filed an Application for Attorneys' Fees and Costs. Also on August 2, 2012, respondent's counsel contacted the undersigned's law clerk and communicated that respondent does not object to an award of fee and costs in the amount requested by petitioner.

In accordance with the General Order #9 requirement, petitioner's counsel states that petitioner did not incur any costs to pursue her petition.

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<sup>1</sup> Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the special master's action in this case, the special master intends to post this unpublished decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims's website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (Dec. 17, 2002). Vaccine Rule 18(b) states that all decisions of the special masters will be made available to the public unless they contain trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged and confidential, or medical or similar information whose disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy. When such a decision is filed, petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact such information prior to the document's disclosure. If the special master, upon review, agrees that the identified material fits within the banned categories listed above, the special master shall redact such material from public access.

In her application, petitioner requests reimbursement for \$11,416.00 in attorneys' fees and \$2,846.33 in attorneys' costs to which respondent does not object. The undersigned finds these amounts to be reasonable. Accordingly, the court awards **\$14,262.33**, representing reimbursement for attorneys' fees and costs. The award shall be in the form of a check made payable jointly to petitioner and the Law Office of Chicago Kent in the amount of **\$14,262.33**.

In the absence of a motion for review filed pursuant to RCFC Appendix B, the clerk of the court is directed to enter judgment herewith.<sup>2</sup>

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: August 3, 2012

/s/ Laura D. Millman  
Laura D. Millman  
Special Master

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<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), entry of judgment can be expedited by each party's filing a notice renouncing the right to seek review.