

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 06-487 V

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ANGELENA GONZALES and JOSEPH *
GONZALES, as next friends to *
TOMAS RUSSELL GONZALES, *

Petitioners, *

Attorneys' Fees and Costs

v. *

SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF *
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, *

Respondent. *

Jeffrey S. Pop, Beverly Hills, CA, for petitioners.
Julia W. McNerny, Washington, DC, for respondent.

MILLMAN, Special Master

DECISION AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS¹

On October 20, 2010, petitioners filed an application for attorneys' fees and costs. Petitioners requested a total of **\$124,014.82** in attorneys' fees and costs, consisting of **\$74,702.50** in attorneys' fees and **\$49,312.32** in attorneys' costs. In compliance with General Order #9, petitioners state that they have not incurred any expenses. On November 4, 2010, the petitioners submitted an email detailing **\$1,500.00** in attorneys' fees and costs incurred in this case by the previous attorney of record, Mr. Kevin Hanratty. Respondent has agreed not to object to the

¹ Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the special master's action in this case, the special master intends to post this unpublished decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims's website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub.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 delete 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 delete such material from public access.

amounts requested by petitioners. The court finds the amount requested by petitioners to be reasonable.

The court hereby adopts the parties' said stipulation, attached hereto, and awards compensation in the amount and on the terms set forth therein. Pursuant to the stipulation, the court awards a total of **\$125,514.82**, representing reimbursement for attorneys' fees and costs. The award shall be in the form of:

- (a) A check made jointly payable to petitioners and the law firm Jeffrey S. Pop & Associates Clients Trust Account in the amount of **\$124,014.82**; and
- (b) A check made jointly payable to petitioners and the Hanratty Law Firm in the amount of **\$1,500.00**. This check should be mailed to:
Hanratty Law Firm
Post Office Box 1330
Artesia, NM 88211-1330

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.²

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: Nov. 9, 2010

Laura D. Millman
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Special Master

² 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.