

# In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 09-699 V

Filed: June 24, 2010

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SHANNON O'BRIEN and \*  
EDWARD O'BRIEN, as parents and \*  
natural guardians of minor, \*  
KYL A O'BRIEN \*

Petitioners, \*

Attorneys' Fees and Costs

v. \*

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

Respondent. \*

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Sheila A. Bjorklund, Minneapolis, MN, for petitioners.

Voris E. Johnson, Washington, DC, for respondent.

**MILLMAN, Special Master**

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

On June 18, 2010, petitioners filed an application for attorneys' fees and costs. Petitioners request a total of **\$9,500.00** in attorneys' fees and costs. Respondent has indicated that she will not object to the amount requested. On June 24, 2010, in compliance with General Order #9, petitioners filed an affidavit stating that they have incurred a total of **\$309.86** in expenses. The court finds the amount requested by petitioners to be reasonable.

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 Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the special master's action in this case, the special master intends to post this unpublished decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims's website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub.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

The clerk shall enter judgment for **\$9,809.86** and shall direct that the award be in the form of a check made jointly payable to petitioners and Lommen Abdo Law Firm in the amount of **\$9,500.00**. A check shall be made solely payable to petitioners in the amount of **\$309.86**.

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: June 24, 2010

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.