

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 09-897 V

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SERGIO and VERONICA SOTO,
parents of A.S., a minor,

Petitioners,

v.

SECRETARY OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

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Attorneys' Fees & Costs Decision

Anne C. Toale, Sarasota, FL, for petitioners.

Chrysovalantis P. Kefalas, Washington, DC, for respondent.

MILLMAN, Special Master

DECISION AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS¹

On April 26, 2012, petitioners filed an Application for Attorneys' Fees and Costs, requesting \$4,719.00 in attorneys' fees and \$5,010.02 in attorneys' costs. On May 21, 2012, respondent's counsel contacted the undersigned's law clerk and stated that respondent does not object to reimbursing petitioners the amounts requested.

¹ Because this unpublished decision contains a reasoned explanation for the special master's action in this case, the special master intends to post this unpublished decision on the United States Court of Federal Claims's website, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub.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 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. On May 22, 2012, petitioners moved to redact their son's name to his initials. The undersigned **GRANTS** petitioners' motion.

Pursuant to General Order #9, petitioners' counsel states that petitioners did not incur any costs to pursue their petition.

The undersigned finds this amount to be reasonable. Accordingly, the court awards **\$9,729.02**, representing reimbursement for attorneys' fees and costs. The award shall be in the form of a check made payable to petitioners and Maglio Christopher & Toale, PA, in the amount of **\$9,729.02**.

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: May 21, 2012

/s/ Laura D. Millman
Laura D. Millman
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.