

Expedited Lump Sum Hearings/ Joint Request for Expedited Section 52-5-12 Hearing

The New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration designates an on-call pro tempore judge to hear stipulated NMSA §52-5-12 lump sum hearings every Tuesday morning. Hearings are not held during the holiday weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.

The process is strictly voluntary. Hearings will be held on a first come, first serve, and walk-in basis. The WCA does not accept calls to schedule appointments for Lump Sum Tuesday and there is no sign-up sheet. Video hearings will not be conducted. Telephonic hearings – where all parties appear by telephone – will not be conducted.

To qualify for a lump sum hearing, the parties shall fulfill the following requirements **before** their petition will be heard by the judge:

1. File a signed Joint Petition for §52-5-12 Lump Sum Payment with the WCA Clerk of the Court;
2. Confirm that the WCA Clerk has reviewed the petition and certified that no liens are on file with the WCA;
3. Prepare a proposed Order approving the §52-5-12 Lump Sum Payment for presentation to the judge at the hearing; and
4. Complete and file a Joint Request for Expedited Section §52-5-12 Hearing certifying that all requirements have been met.

Failure to follow requirements will result in denial of a lump sum hearing. The lump sum hearing process has proven to be successful and popular.

Any questions may be directed to Heather Jordan at (505) 841-6028.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADMINISTRATION**

_____, WCA No.: _____
Worker,
v. _____, and
_____,
Employer/Insurer.

JOINT REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED SECTION 52-5-12 HEARING

The parties have entered an agreement for a lump sum payment under NMSA §52-5-12 and agree as follows:

1. They request an expedited hearing with a pro tempore judge;
2. A stipulated joint petition for NMSA §52-5-12 Lump Sum Payment has been executed and filed with the WCA Clerk;
3. The Petition was reviewed for liens by the WCA Clerk, and;
4. A signed proposed Order approving the NMSA §52-5-12 Lump Sum Payment will be submitted at the hearing.

Worker/ Worker's Representative

Employer/Insurer Representative