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September 15, 2011

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300141-040

DATE OF LOSS:

1) 6/19/08 2) 7/2/09 3) 3/26/09; 4) 6/29/11

Dear Dr. Murata:

As you may recall, I represent the interests of San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control District. I am writing to you regarding the care of your patient, Ms. Tiffany Anderson.

As you know, she had a June 29, 2011 knee contusion claim. I believe you were previously provided the reports from Dr. Eck following this claim wherein Dr. Eck released her back to full duty on July 18, 2011 without limitations or restrictions.

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As you may be aware, she changed her primary treating physician to Dr. Shaw. I have enclosed Dr. Shaw's reports. She saw Dr. Shaw on April 23, 2011, May 20, 2011, and July 12, 2011. On July 12, 2011, Dr. Shaw resigned.

On July 12, 2011, Dr. Shaw did report that Tiffany Anderson reports an interval change since her last appointment with an aggravation of her prior knee injury. I cannot tell that there is any change." (See page 3 of Dr. Shaw's July 12, 2011 report enclosed).

In earlier reports of Dr. Shaw of April 23, 2011, it is noted she reports pain levels of 5/10 to her knee and receiving narcotic pain medications from another source. In addition, the report of May 20, 2011 indicates a pain level of 3-7/10 and receiving narcotic pain medications from another source. Thus, obviously she was treating in the months prior to the incident of June 29, 2011 for right knee pain.

Also, please keep in mind she was working full duty during this time and she continued working full duty after the June 29, 2011 incident. She continued working full duty until August 16, 2011.

I do note that you requested an MRI and reviewed the MRI.

In your August 16, 201\text{report}, you do note that she has some findings on her MRI, possible recurrent tear of the lateral meniscus. However, her symptoms do not specifically correlate with the MRI findings. I am also aware that you have placed her on modified duty and issued a report of August 26, 2011 to the examiner, Ms. Mackenzie Dawson.

However, it appears that you may not have been aware of the prior treatment with Dr. Shaw up to approximately a month prior to the June 29, 2011 injury claim.

REQUESTED OF YOU:

I would ask that you carefully review the medical records submitted herein, including those from Dr. Shaw of April and May of 2011, as well as the correlation

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of the MRI with her symptoms and other factors and issue a report answering the following query:

- 1) Do you believe with reasonable medical certainty that the applicant should be on modified duty based on the information set forth herein?
 - a) If you believe the applicant should be on modified duty, pleaes outline any work restrictions.
- 2) Alternatively, can she return back to full duty as outlined by Dr. Eck on July 18, 2011.
- 3) Or, finally, do you defer temporary disability/modified work to a Panel QME?

Thank you in advance for your careful consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

STOCKWELL, HARRIS, WOOLVERTON & MUEHL

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Enclosures: Medical File (1/6/11 - 8/26/11)

cc: Ms. Tiffany Anderson

Ms. Mackenzie Dawson, AIMS Insurance (Sac

From Helphrey
to Murata (stackwell)

9/15/2011

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treatment in Augusta
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insinuating that TA is
a narcotics abuser/addict