

STATE OF FLORIDA  
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE OF COMPENSATION CLAIMS  
DISTRICT "Jacksonville"

CASE NO: 25-001710WRH D/A: 11/06/2024

EMPLOYEE: Thomas Casey

EMPLOYER: City of Ocala

CARRIER: PMA Companies

ATTORNEY FOR CLAIMANT:

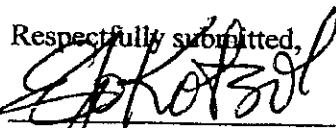
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**MEDIATION REPORT**

1. A mediation conference was conducted by Evie Jo Kotsol, Mediator, on 03/05/2026.
2. The following were in attendance:
  - 1) Claimant Thomas Casey
  - 2) Claimant's counsel Barbara Richard
  - 3) Employer Richard Dennis
  - 4) Carrier/S/A Chrissy Bonet
  - 5) Counsel for E/C/S/A Bettina Carrier
  - 6) Other attendees Clmts wife All parties by phone
3. At the mediation conference, the parties:
  - a) Completely resolved all issues as set forth in the attached Agreement. No pretrial conference and final hearing will be scheduled.
  - b) Completely resolved all issues as set forth in the attached agreement; except for attorneys fees. Should a fee hearing be necessary, counsel for the claimant shall contact the office of the J.C.C. to schedule same.
  - c) Resolved only those issues as set forth in attached Mediation agreement. A pretrial stipulation will be completed and final hearing will be scheduled.
  - d) Agreed to continue the mediation. A pretrial stipulation will be completed and final hearing will be scheduled. The continued mediation is to be concluded prior to the final hearing.
  - e) Did not resolve any issues.  
 A pretrial stipulation will be completed and final hearing will be scheduled.
  - f) The following Petitions for Benefits were mediated 12/15/2025.

Respectfully submitted,  


Evie Jo Kotsol, Mediator

Dated: 3/5/2026

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MEDIATION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

( ) This is not a Washout Settlement under F.S. 440.20(11).

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The Employer/Carrier agrees to pay and the Claimant agrees to accept **\$150,000.00** inclusive of attorneys fees and costs as a complete settlement of the above captioned claim and any and all claims, dates of accident or injuries with City of Ocala and PMA Companies.

All Benefits (Medical and Indemnity) end today. So long as the E/C provides settlement documents to Claimants Attorney within 7 days of today.

The E/C shall remain responsible for payment at fee schedule of any pre settlement authorized medical care.

The claimant agrees to retirement of employment with the city effective upon city approval of this settlement and agrees to sign a general release, and agreement not to reapply or be rehired by the employer. The General Release will not have any adverse effect on Claimant's rights to any vested benefits he may have with the Employer.

The Claimant will net **\$107,500.00** from the above settlement amount after attorney fees of **\$37,500.00** and costs not to exceed **\$5000.00** less any Child Support.

The E/C agrees to provide settlement documents to Claimants Attorney within 7 days of today. The Claimant agrees to return signed settlement documents to E/C Attorney within 7 days of city approval. The E/C agrees to send signed settlement documents to JCC within 7 days of receipt from Claimant. The E/C agrees to pay settlement proceed within 14 days of JCC order approving the attorneys fees and child support.

The pending appeal of the JCC order of 11/09/2025 shall be dismissed upon city approval and settlement of this claim. The E/C shall file a motion to relinquish jurisdiction back to the JCC for the dismissal of the appeal.

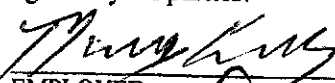

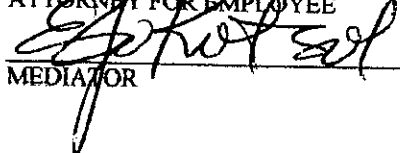
The claimant shall dismiss all pending PFB's upon city approval.

**The above settlement is contingent upon City approval.**

The Claimant affirms that this Settlement Agreement was read and explained to him by his attorney and that he understands all terms of the settlement and fully, freely and voluntary agrees to all terms of the settlement.

The foregoing Mediation Settlement Agreement is stipulated to and agreed to by the undersigned parties in the presence of the undersigned Mediator.

ALL other matters discussed at the Mediation remain privileged and confidential, unless otherwise agreed by all parties.

  
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EMPLOYEE  
  
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ATTORNEY FOR EMPLOYEE  
  
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MEDIATOR

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EMPLOYER/CARRIER/SA  
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ATTORNEY FOR THE EMPLOYER/CARRIER  
3/5/2026