
In the Matter of the Compensation of
SHERRY E. BANKS, Claimant
WCB Case No. 05-07298
ORDER ON REVIEW
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Reviewing Panel: Members Biehl and Langer.

Claimant requests review of Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Riechers' order that upheld the SAIF Corporation's denial of claimant's injury or occupational disease claim for a right wrist condition. On review, the issue is compensability.

We adopt and affirm the ALJ's order with the following supplementation.

We agree with the ALJ that the claim is properly analyzed as an occupational disease, because the onset of the condition was gradual, rather than sudden. (*See Exs. 32, 43*). *See Smirnoff v. SAIF*, 188 Or App 438, 449 (2003) (the determining factor in deciding if a claim is for an injury or a disease "is whether the condition itself, not its symptoms, occurred gradually, rather than suddenly").

ORDER

The ALJ's order dated August 31, 2006 is affirmed.

Entered at Salem, Oregon on January 22, 2007