§ 12.14 Petition for Judicial Review—Workers Compensation Cases

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

[Insert Name],

Claimant/
[Insert Appellate Designation],

vs. [Insert Workers Comp Docket Number]

[Insert Name],

Respondent/
[Insert Appellate Designation],

and

[Insert Name],

Insurance Carrier/[Insert Appellate Designation].

PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW OF A DECISION OF THE WORKERS COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

[Insert Name of Petitioner] asks the Court of Appeals for judicial review of the decision of the Workers Compensation Appeals Board.

The petitioner states:

Name and mailing address of the petitioner.

[Insert information]

2. Name and mailing address of the agency whose action is at issue.

[Insert information]

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- 3. Authority. K.S.A. 44-556, K.S.A. 77-614, and Supreme Court Rule 9.04.
- 4. Identification of the agency action at issue, together with a duplicate copy, summary, or brief description of the agency action.

The Workers Compensation Appeals Board on [Insert date] awarded workers compensation benefits to claimant, finding that his injury on [Insert date] while riding a go-cart at a recreational event fell within the course and scope of his employment with respondent.

Certified copies of the order of the administrative law judge, the request for Board review, and the order of the Board are attached.

5. Identification of persons who were parties in any adjudicative proceedings that led to the agency action.

[Insert information]

6. Facts to demonstrate that the petitioner is entitled to obtain judicial review.

The administrative law judge on [Insert date] granted claimant benefits and ruled that his injury did fall within the scope of employment as an exception to K.S.A. 44-508(f). Thereafter, petitioner filed a notice of appeal dated [Insert date] with the Workers Compensation Appeals Board, completed briefs, and orally argued the matter. The Board affirmed the ruling of the administrative law judge on [Insert date]. Under K.S.A. 44-556, petitioner is allowed to appeal the decision of the Board to the Court of Appeals.

7. Reasons why relief should be granted.

Petitioner states that the Workers Compensation Appeals Board erred in finding that the injury of claimant was compensable. Among other things, the Board failed to follow the strict statutory language of K.S.A. 44-508(f). The Board considered other factors in making its determination not included in the language of K.S.A. 44-508(f). The Board found an implied duty where the greater and overwhelming weight of the evidence would not allow such conclusion. In addition, there was insufficient evidence to support the finding of the Board that an implied duty existed for claimant to attend the recreational/social event where he was injured.

8. The type and extent of relief petitioner requests.

Petitioner requests the Court of Appeals enter an order finding that the Workers Compensation Appeals Board erred as a matter of law in finding that the injury to claimant was work-related and that benefits should be awarded for the injury.

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Attorney's Signature

/s/

Attorney's Name (typed or printed)
Kansas Attorney Registration Number
Address
Telephone Number
Fax Number
E-mail Address
Name of the Party Represented

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and correct copy of this Petition for Judicial Review was sent by [Insert Method] on [Insert Date] to:

[Insert names and addresses of those on whom service is made.]

/s/

Attorney's Name and Registration Number

PRACTICE NOTE: See § 12.15, *infra*, to request certification of the record.

The petition for judicial review in workers compensation cases is filed in the Court of Appeals. See K.S.A. 44-556(a) and Rule 9.04.

The petition for judicial review must be in compliance with K.S.A. 77-614. Some petitions may be more factually complex than the form and require citation to case law as well as statutory authority, but the format remains the same.

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