

Pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.5 and 86.24, I affirm and adopt as the final agency decision those portions of the proposed arbitration decision filed on January 18, 2019, which relate to the issues properly raised on intra-agency appeal.

I find the deputy commissioner provided a well-reasoned analysis of all of the issues raised in the arbitration proceeding. I affirm the deputy commissioner's findings of fact and conclusions of law pertaining to those issues.

I affirm the deputy commissioner's finding that claimant failed to prove he sustained a work-related injury as alleged. I affirm the deputy commissioner's finding that all other issues raised in this matter are moot. I affirm the deputy commissioner's finding that claimant is entitled to receive nothing in this matter. I affirm the deputy commissioner's order that the parties pay their own costs of the arbitration proceeding.

I affirm the deputy commissioner's findings, conclusions and analysis regarding those issues.

ORDER

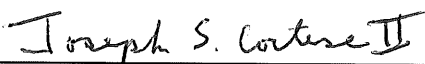
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the arbitration decision filed on January 18, 2019, is affirmed in its entirety.

Claimant shall take nothing from these proceedings.

Pursuant to rule 876 IAC 4.33, the parties shall pay their own costs of the arbitration proceeding, and claimant shall pay the costs of the appeal, including the cost of the hearing transcript.

Pursuant to rule 876 IAC 3.1(2), defendant-employer shall file subsequent reports of injury as required by this agency.

Signed and filed on this 18th day of February, 2020.



JOSEPH S. CORTESE II
WORKERS' COMPENSATION
COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served as follows:

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