Flagger's Shoulder Injury Caused by Holding Sign in Windy Conditions



A worker who worked as a flagger injured her left shoulder and filed a workers' comp claim, which was denied. But the Appeals Commission ruled that the injury was work-related. It noted that the worker was very short and had to hold the tall stop sign on a pole in windy conditions, requiring her to do so with her left arm over her head. She worked long hours on two very windy a few days right before she began complaining of pain in her shoulder. Thus, the Commission concluded that her employment directly contributed to her injury [Decision No: 2013-0662, [2013] CanLII 48569 (AB WCAC), Aug. 7, 2013].