

Injured Worker Entitled to Retraining as Welder upon Return to Work



When an injured truck dispatcher returned to work, he asked for WCB sponsorship in a retraining program to be a welder. His request was denied on the grounds that this work wasn't compatible with his physical abilities since his injury. The Appeals Commission ruled that the most recent physical evaluations of the worker, a performance report and the surgeon's assessment all supported the conclusion that he was physically able to work as a welder. So it ordered the WCB to sponsor his retraining [*Decision No. 2012-273*, [2012] CanLII 14896 (AB WCAC), March 21, 2012].