Injury Suffered while Demonstrating Flexibility Covered by Workers' Comp



When two co-workers teased a worker about her age, she demonstrated how flexible she still was by lifting her leg up high. But her other leg slipped, causing her to fall and break her wrist. Her workers' comp claim was denied because she was injured while engaging in horseplay. The Appeals Panel disagreed. The worker was injured at work and during her shift. It found that the lifting of her leg didn't constitute "willful misconduct" that would warrant rejecting her claim. So it ruled that her injury was covered by workers' comp [Re 20126466, [2012] CanLII 27489 (NB WHSCC), May 17, 2012].