## OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

(Filed: May 16, 2005)

SANDRA ADAMS,	)	
Petitioner,	)	
v.	)	No. 03-0086V
SECRETARY OF	)	DO NOT PUBLISH
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,	)	
Respondent.	)	
	)	

## DECISION DIRECTING ENTRY OF JUDGMENT<sup>1</sup>

The parties filed a stipulation on May 12, 2005. The special master has reviewed thoroughly the stipulation. He adopts completely the stipulation. Therefore, in the absence of a motion for review filed under RCFC Appendix B, the clerk of court shall enter judgment in petitioner's favor.<sup>2</sup>

The clerk of court shall send Ms. Adams's copy of this decision to Ms. Adams by overnight express delivery.

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As provided by Vaccine Rule 18(b), each party has 14 days within which to request redaction "of any information furnished by that party (1) that is trade secret or commercial or financial information and is privileged or confidential, or (2) that are medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy." Vaccine Rule 18(b). Otherwise, "the entire decision" will be available to the public. *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Under Vaccine Rule 11(a), the parties may expedite entry of judgment by filing a joint notice renouncing the right to seek review. Then, under Vaccine Rule 12(a), petitioner may expedite payment by filing an election to accept the judgment.

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## DECISION ON ATTORNEYS' FEES, ATTORNEYS' COSTS AND PERSONAL EXPENSES<sup>1</sup>

Petitioner, Sandra Adams (Ms. Adams), seeks an award of \$70,349.66 in attorneys' fees, attorneys' costs, and personal expenses as defined by General Order No. 9, for an action that she pursued under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (Program)<sup>2</sup>. *See* Petitioner's Application for Fees and Costs (Fee Petition), filed April 11, 2005, at 1. The amount represents the sum of \$46,664.00 in attorneys' fees, \$23,670.66 in attorneys' costs and \$15.00 in personal expenses. *See* Fee Petition at 1. Respondent does not object apparently to Ms. Adams's Fee Petition. *See* Fee Petition at 1.

Ms. Adams received Program compensation. Therefore, the Act mandates the award of "reasonable attorneys' fees" and "other costs." § 300aa-15(e)(1). The special master has reviewed carefully Ms. Adams's Fee Petition. He determines that the Fee Petition is appropriate. Thus, in the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The statutory provisions governing the Vaccine Program are found in 42 U.S.C. §§ 300aa-10 *et seq.* For convenience, further reference will be to the relevant section of 42 U.S.C.

absence of a motion for review filed under RCFC Appendix B, the clerk of court shall enter judgment in Ms. Adams's favor for \$70,349.66.<sup>3</sup> The judgment shall provide that Ms. Adams's attorney of record, Ronald C. Homer, Esq. (Mr. Homer), may collect \$70,334.66 from Ms. Adams.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> \$70,349.66 - \$15.00 for Ms. Adam's personal expenses.