STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

ESTHER MORGAN and DAVID MORGAN, individually and as parents and natural guardians of MELINDA MORGAN, a minor,)))		
MORGAN, a millor,)		
Petitioner,)		
vs.)	CASE NO.	95-5802N
FLORIDA BIRTH-RELATED NEUROLOGICAL INJURY COMPENSATION ASSOCIATION,)))		
Respondent.)		
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FINAL ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION AND JOINT PETITION FOR COMPENSATION OF CLAIM ARISING OUT OF FLORIDA BIRTH-RELATED NEUROLOGICAL INJURY PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 766, FLORIDA STATUTES

This cause came on to be heard pursuant to Section 766.304, Florida Statutes, upon the stipulation and joint petition of the parties, filed March 1, 1996, for the entry of an order approving the resolution of a formal claim for compensation benefits heretofore filed in this cause in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 766, Florida Statutes, and a resolution of the exclusive remedy otherwise available as outlined in Chapter 766, Florida Statutes.

By the terms of their stipulation, the parties have agreed that petitioners, Esther Morgan and David Morgan, are the parents and natural guardians of Melinda Morgan (Melinda), a minor, that Melinda was born a live infant on October 25, 1993, at Martin Memorial Hospital, a hospital located in Stuart, Martin County, Florida, and that her birth weight was in excess of 2,500 grams. The parties have further agreed that the physician delivering obstetrical services during the birth of Melinda was Evan Marshall Collins, M.D., who was, at all times material hereto, a participating physician in the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan, as defined by Section 766.302(7), Florida Statutes. Finally, by their stipulation, the parties have agreed that Melinda suffered a "birth-related neurological injury," as that term is defined by Section 766.302(2), Florida

Statutes. The medical records attached to the petition for compensation are consistent with and supportive of the parties' stipulation.

After due consideration of the interests of all parties, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is

ORDERED that:

- 1. The stipulation of the parties, filed of record March 1, 1996, is hereby approved and the parties are directed to comply with the provisions thereof.
- 2. Petitioners/claimants, Esther Morgan and David Morgan are, pursuant to Section 766.31(1)(b), Florida Statutes, awarded \$100,000.00, to be disbursed in a manner hereinafter to be agreed to among the parties, subject to the approval of the Hearing Officer.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 766.31(2), Florida Statutes, respondent shall make immediate payment of all expenses previously incurred and shall pay all future expenses as incurred.
- 4. The Division of Administrative Hearings retains jurisdiction over this matter to resolve any dispute as to the interpretation of any provision of the parties' stipulation and to resolve any disputes, should they arise, regarding the parties' compliance with the terms of such stipulation.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 5th day of March 1996.

WILLIAM J. KENDRICK, Hearing Officer Division of Administrative Hearings The DeSoto Building 1230 Apalachee Parkway Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1550 (904) 488-9675

Filed with the Clerk of the Division of Administrative Hearings this 5th day of March 1996.

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