ADVISORY NO. 189

TOPIC: VIDEOGRAPHERS AT REQUIRED MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

We are delighted to attach the TWCC Advisory 96-01, announcing Commission policy regarding the practice of many plaintiff's attorneys to have a videographer present at the time that a claimant shows up for an examination by a carrier-selected physician. Because the physicians refuse to do the examinations under these circumstances, this has had the effect of circumventing the carrier's right to an examination. FO&L has reputedly complained to the Commission about this practice. We are very pleased with this response.

This problem is further discussed in a February 1996 article prepared prior to the release of this TWCC Advisory.