

64 y/o heavy equipment mechanic with a BMI of 31 kg/m<sup>2</sup> who worked for Company A for 21 years, Company B for 5 years and Company C for his last 4 years during which time he sustained numerous injuries. The physical requirements of his work were the same at each of these jobs.

1992: Specific injury to the lumbar spine. MRI showed an L5-S1 disc herniation. He had an L5-S1 discectomy. His case was settled with a 30% PD and future medical. He resumed his usual job with Company A without restrictions.

1998: Injured LEFT knee in a specific injury. Diagnosed with a medial meniscal tear and underwent an arthroscopic LEFT partial medial menisectomy. He RTW full duty for Company A in 1998.

2002: Injured RIGHT knee in a specific accident and underwent RIGHT arthroscopic partial medial menisectomy. Again he returned to full work duties for Company A in 2003.

2004: Specific LEFT knee and hip injury. Knee MRI was negative, but hip x-rays showed AVN of the femoral head and secondary hip DJD. LEFT THR in 2005 and then returned to full duty for Company B in 2005.

2005: Panel QME. P&S for the 2004 injury with a 20% WPI for the LEFT hip.

2009: Specific injury to the lumbar spine, RIGHT hip, and RIGHT knee with Company C. Lumbar x-rays showed spontaneous fusion at the L5-S1 prior discectomy site and severe foraminal stenosis. RIGHT hip x-rays showed AVN and DJD. RIGHT and LEFT knee x-rays showed moderate medial compartment DJD. Had RIGHT THR in 2011, RIGHT TKR in 2012, Left TKR in 2013, and L4-L5 fusion in 2014

He worked at his regular job until 2011 when he went off for the RIGHT THR and never worked again.

Final AME report in 2016:

- Lumbar spine 34% WPI under ROM
- RIGHT hip 20% WPI
- LEFT hip 20% WPI
- RIGHT knee 20% WPI
- LEFT knee 30% WPI

Combined 76% WPI

Apportionment: -30%PD for 1992 settlement, -20%WPI for the LEFT THR in 2005 with the rest equally divided among the other specific injuries for a net = 26%.

Under A/G add, rather than combine for 124%WPI, then -30% for the 1992 and 20% for the 2005 settlements = 74%.