§ 701.201 Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs

The Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs (OWCP) is responsible for administering the LHWCA and its extensions (see 20 CFR 1.2(e)). The regulations in subchapter A of chapter I of this title (20 CFR part 1) describe OWCP’s establishment within the Employment Standards Administration, the functions assigned to it by the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards, and how those functions were performed before OWCP’s establishment.

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§§ 701.202–701.203 [Reserved]

TERMS USED IN THIS SUBCHAPTER

§ 701.301 Definitions and use of terms.

(a) As used in this subchapter, except where the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(1) Act or LHWCA means the Longshore and Harbor Workers’ Compensation Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), and includes the provisions of any statutory extension of such Act (see §701.101(a) and (b)) pursuant to which compensation on account of an injury is sought.

(2) Secretary means the Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor, or his authorized representative.

(3) Employment Standards Administration means the Employment Standards Administration in the United States Department of Labor, headed by the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards.

(4) [Reserved]

(5) Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs or OWCP or the Office means the Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs within the Employment Standards Administration, referred to in §701.201 and described more fully in part 1 of this title. The term Office of Workmen’s Compensation Programs shall have the same meaning as Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs (see 20 CFR 1.6(b)).

(6) Director means the Director of OWCP, or his or her authorized representative.

(7) District Director means a person appointed as provided in sections 39 and 40 of the LHWCA or his or her designee, authorized to perform functions with respect to the processing and determination of claims for compensation under the LHWCA and its extensions as provided therein and under this subchapter. The term District Director is substituted for the term Deputy Commissioner used in the statute. This substitution is for administrative purposes only and in no way affects the power or authority of the position as established in the statute.

(8) Administrative Law Judge means a person appointed as provided in 5 U.S.C. 3105 and subpart B of 5 CFR part 930, who is qualified to preside at hearings under 5 U.S.C. 557 and is empowered by the Secretary to conduct formal hearings whenever necessary in respect of any claim for compensation arising under the LHWCA and its extensions.

(9) Chief Administrative Law Judge means the Chief Judge of the Office of Administrative Law Judges, United States Department of Labor, whose office is at the location set forth in 29 CFR 18.3(a).

(10) Board or Benefits Review Board means the Benefits Review Board established by section 21 of the LHWCA (33 U.S.C. 921) as amended and constituted and functioning pursuant to the provisions of chapter VII of this title and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 38–82 (38 FR 90), whose office is at the location set forth in 20 CFR 802.204.

(11) Department means the United States Department of Labor.

(12)(i) Employee means any person engaged in maritime employment, including:

(A) Any longshore worker or other person engaged in longshoring operations;

(B) Any harbor worker, including a ship repairer, shipbuilder and shipbreaker; and

(C) Any other individual to whom an injury may be the basis for a compensation claim under the LHWCA as amended, or any of its extensions;

(ii) The term does not include: