

BEFORE THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

DR. STEVEN MARTINI,
Charging Party/Appellant

HRB CASE NO. 0081013332 & 0081013344

-v-

ORDER

KALISPELL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
AND HEALTH CENTER NORTHWEST,
Respondent

On November 5, 2012, the Human Rights Commission received Charging Party’s Unopposed Motion to Continue Date of Oral Argument in the above-referenced matter. The Motion stated that the attorney for Charging Party will be unavailable at the time the hearing is now set. On August 16, 2012, the parties jointly waived their statutory right, pursuant to § 49-2-505(5), MCA, to have a hearing before the Commission within 120 days of the Notice of Appeal.

Also before the Commission is the Joint Motion to Close the Hearing and exclude the public from observing oral argument in this case. The Commission invites the parties to submit briefing in support of the joint motion prior to the January 2013 hearing. In particular, the Commission invites analysis from the parties as to whether employees of the Montana Human Rights Bureau are to be considered as “members of the public” for the purposes of the Joint Motion. Should the parties elect to submit briefing in support of the Joint Motion, the Commission requests that copies of such briefing be served upon Marieke Beck, Bureau Chief of the Montana Human Rights Bureau. Further, the Commission directs that all briefing submitted in support or opposition to the Joint Motion be made available for public inspection at the Commission’s office.

THEREFORE, with the concurrence of the parties and for good cause shown, Charging Party’s motion to Continue Date or Oral Argument is GRANTED.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the matter of Dr. Steven Martini v. Kalispell Regional Medical Center and Health Center Northwest will be scheduled for oral argument at the January 2013 meeting of the Montana Human Rights Commission.

The Commission will notify the parties of the time and place set for consideration. The Commission currently has meetings scheduled in **Helena, Montana, for the week of January 14-18, 2013.**

DATED this 7th day of November, 2012.

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L.M. Minich, Chair
Montana Human Rights Commission

