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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

CONFIDENTIAL

JULY 6, 2007

CLIENT: WORLDWIDE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION

123 ANYWHERE STREET

ATLANTA, GA 30300

REQUESTER: **KRISTY STAPLES**

SUBJECT: I. B. SPRITELY

CLAIM #: 54321

DOL: 05/09/2004

INSURED: CONCRETE MOVERS

INJURY: LOW BACK TSI#: 07007007SV-01

Ms. Staples:

ASSIGNMENT

On June 30, 2007 this office was contacted and instructed to conduct a One-Day Surveillance on the above subject, hereinafter referred to as the claimant, in order to determine his present employment status and daily activities. Surveillance was to be conducted on a scheduled physical therapy appointment day, Mondays or Wednesdays, at 11:00 AM at Physiotherapy Associates, located at 4282 Salem Court in East Point. **Investigator Orange** was assigned to this case and he reports the following:

SUMMARY

During the course of this investigation, the claimant, I. B. Spritely, a 48-year-old white male was found to be presently residing at the provided address of 3302 Washington Avenue, East Point, Georgia 30305.

During the surveillance portion of this investigation, the claimant was observed as he exited a vehicle outside of his regularly scheduled physical therapy appointment on Monday, July 2, 2007. The claimant exited the vehicle very slowly and carefully, and utilized a walking cane before entering the facility. Upon departing his appointment, the claimant appeared to move more rapidly, and entered his vehicle quickly. Video was obtained.



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Upon departure from his appointment, the claimant traveled to a convenience store, which he entered rapidly. He no longer utilized his walking cane. The claimant purchased a bottled beverage and what appeared to be scratch-off lottery tickets.

The claimant was followed to a Home Depot Store, which he entered, again without using the cane. He purchased a gallon of what appeared to be paint and another item. The claimant then traveled to a local Kroger store, which he entered. Video was obtained of the claimant pushing a cart loaded with groceries back to his vehicle. Among the items purchased were several soft-drink 12 pack boxes, a watermelon, a 12-pack of bottled beverages and many smaller bags of items.

The claimant was followed to his residence and video was obtained as he unloaded the goods from his vehicle. At one point, the claimant was observed lifting five 12-pack boxes full of soft drinks at once, after bending over to the ground to retrieve them. No further activity was noted on this day.

The claimant was not found to be employed.

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Approximately 8 minutes and 50 seconds of claimant activity was obtained.

Additional information in regards to this investigation can be found in the Details section of this report.

CLAIMANT: I. B. Spritely CLAIM NUMBER: 54321

Photos of the Claimant







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DESCRIPTION OF THE CLAIMANT

Race/Gender: White Male Height: 5'11"

Date of Birth: 11/15/1959 Weight: 165 lbs.

Social Security No.: 259-45-xxxx Hair Color: Salt and Pepper

Other: Moustache

Nature of the injury: Low Back

CLAIMANT LOCATION

Address: 3302 Washington Ave.

City/State: East Point, GA 30305

Telephone Number: 404-964-5477

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

<u>Directions to the Claimant's Residence from downtown Atlanta</u>: Travel south on the I-75/85 connector and turn right onto I-85 past Langford Pkwy. Exit onto Virginia Avenue, turning right. Follow Virginia Avenue to the third stoplight to Williamsburg Terrace and turn right. Turn left onto Jefferson Street, then an immediate right onto Pershing Circle. Washington Ave. will be the first street on the right. The claimant's residence is on the left.

<u>Description of the Claimant's Residence</u>: Best described as a light green wood siding ranch-style house with dark green shutters and white trim. There is a double garage door on the left. The house is set up on a hill, and the back yard is visible from a side street. The yard is well-maintained.



Photo of the claimant's residence



CLAIMANT'S VEHICLES

Vehicle 1	Vehicle 2
Vehicle Make: Toyota	Ford
Vehicle Model:Corolla	Pick-up
Color:Silver	Blue
Tag Number: 6700 AWL	DC3642

DATABASE SEARCHES

Upon receiving this case, the investigator performed a number of database searches in order to confirm the claimant's residence and personal information. The information obtained is on file at the Tri-Starr office.

DETAILS

SURVEILLANCE Claimant's Residence Monday, July 2, 2007 6:03 AM

The investigator arrived at the claimant's provided address of 3302 Washington Ave, East Point Georgia. One vehicle was observed parked in the driveway, a blue Ford pick-up truck, GA tag# DC3642. One light was observed on in the interior of the house and a porch light was on. Surveillance was established in the area of the residence.





8:04 AM

Surveillance was maintained in view of the residence. No claimant activity was observed.

9:47 AM



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Surveillance was maintained in view of the residence. No claimant activity was observed.

10:42 AM

No activity was observed at the residence. As the claimant had an 11:00 AM physical therapy appointment, which he reportedly faithfully attended, the investigator elected to travel to the physical therapy office to await the arrival of the claimant.

Physiotherapy Associates 4282 Salem Court, East Point, GA 10:51 AM

The investigator arrived at the location of the claimant's physical therapy clinic. The claimant's know vehicle, the blue Ford truck, was not observed in the parking lot. The investigator entered the facility and noted that the claimant had not signed in. Surveillance continued with a view of the office door.

11:06 AM

The investigator observed a subject matching the description provided of the claimant as he arrived in the parking lot and exited his vehicle. This subject, later confirmed to be the claimant, is best described as a white male, approximately 6'0 tall, and weighing approximately 165 lbs. The claimant was attired in a plaid button-down shirt, blue jean shorts and sandals. He exited his car slowly, as if in pain, and utilized a walking stick. He walked slowly, and entered the clinic. Video was obtained.









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11:17 AM

The investigator entered the clinic and was able to confirm the identity of the claimant. Surveillance was maintained in the parking lot.

12:11 PM

No claimant activity was observed. Surveillance was maintained.

12:37 PM

The claimant was observed walking with his cane back to his vehicle. He was observed placing his cane in the back seat of the car and entering the vehicle quickly. As the claimant departed the parking lot, mobile surveillance was initiated.





12:56 PM

The claimant was followed to a gas station / convenience store. He exited his vehicle and entered the store without the use of his walking cane.



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12:58 PM

The claimant exited the store carrying what appeared to be a bottled soft drink and scratch-off lottery tickets. Again he did not utilize his cane and walked with a normal stride and gait. The claimant entered his vehicle, opened the window and appeared to be scratching off the numbers on the lottery card. When the claimant's vehicle departed, mobile surveillance continued.





1:11 PM

The claimant was followed to the Home Depot store in College Park, Georgia. The claimant entered the store as surveillance was established in the parking lot.

1:20 PM

The claimant was observed exiting the Home Depot with a gallon of what appeared to be paint and unknown items in a bag. The claimant did not utilize his walking cane and showed no outward signs of pain or hesitation in his movements.



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The claimant placed the items in the trunk of his vehicle and departed the area. Mobile surveillance continued.

1:30 PM

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The claimant arrived at a Kroger grocery store in College Park, Georgia. The claimant entered the store walking with a steady stride and gait and did not to utilize his cane. Surveillance continued in the parking lot.







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2:08 PM

The claimant was observed pushing a shopping cart loaded with purchased items to his vehicle from the grocery store. Video was obtained as the claimant loaded the items from the cart to his vehicle trunk unassisted. The items included five 12pack boxes of sodas, a 12-pack of bottled Snapple drinks, a watermelon, and multiple bags of unknown items. The claimant was observed walking without his cane, bending, lifting and stretch as he placed the items in his vehicle. The claimant appeared to be able to complete



these tasks in a manner contradicting a low back injury.











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2:19 PM

The claimant was followed back to his residence in East Point. The claimant opened the garage door remotely and pulled the vehicle into the garage. The investigator was able to obtain a temporary surveillance position in view of the open garage door.

2:20 - 2:24 PM

The claimant was observed and videotaped unloading groceries from the trunk of the vehicle. He was observed

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bending and lifting with no sign of hesitation or obvious pain.



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The claimant lifted and carried what appeared to be a 50 lb bag of potting soil. He also lifted and carried all five soft drink 12-packs at one time.



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2:25 PM

The garage door was observed closing. The claimant remained inside his residence. In order to maintain case discretion, surveillance was discontinued and the investigator departed the area.

At this time we submit this formal written report for your review.

Thomas Meade, Operations Manager, has reviewed this report.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to be of service.

Respectfully,

Thomas Meade Operations Manager

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