THE STATE EX REL. JOHNSON, APPELLANT, v. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF OHIO ET AL., APPELLEES.

[Cite as *State ex rel. Johnson v. Indus. Comm.* (1999), 86 Ohio St.3d 381.] Workers' compensation — Court of appeals' judgment affirmed.

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APPEAL from the Court of Appeals for Franklin County, No. 97APD10-1391.

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The judgment of the court of appeals is affirmed consistent with the opinion of the court of appeals.

MOYER, C.J., DOUGLAS, RESNICK, PFEIFER, COOK and LUNDBERG STRATTON, JJ., concur.

F.E. SWEENEY, J., dissents.