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The Purpose of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission

[The Illinois Workers' Compensation Act](#) is designed to give injured workers a “quick and efficient remedy” to receive the benefits they deserve, to resolve disputes between employees and employers regarding the amount of benefits the injured workers deserve, or to protect the rights of third-parties to reimbursement (such as your physicians or hospitals looking to get paid for providing services). In order to accomplish this goal, the legislature has established an administrative agency called the [Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission](#). For a typical case, all that is necessary for the employee to know is that this agency hires a group of people to act as “arbitrators” that are assigned to decide cases. Most Workers' Compensation attorneys view this individual as the “judge.”

Of course, this state body must be impartial and, as such, the staff at the Commission will only explain procedures, but will not do work for you, or advocate for either the employee or employer, and will be very hesitant to give you any legal advice, guidance, or information, even if it concerns basic provisions of the law unless the question pertains solely to procedural questions.

If you, or a loved one, has been injured at work, then you need information about your rights. At [Shunneson Law Office](#), I am devoted to demanding an insurance company cover your injuries following accidents. Call (847) 693-9120 for more information or [contact us](#) to schedule a consultation. Located in Lake County, Illinois, with meeting locations throughout Chicago, we have the ability to meet with you at any convenient Chicagoland location from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. However, evening and weekend appointments are available upon request by calling 847.693.9120.

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