



United States of America  
**OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION**  
1120 20th Street, N.W., Ninth Floor  
Washington, DC 20036-3457

SECRETARY OF LABOR,

Complainant,

v.

MAXIM CRANE WORKS,

Respondent.

OSHRC Docket No. 17-1894

### **BRIEFING NOTICE**

The parties are requested to brief whether, in light of the facts presented, the standard cited in Citation 1, Item 1, 29 C.F.R. § 1910.28(b)(1)(i) (protection from fall hazards on walking-working surface with unprotected sides and edges), is preempted by the construction standard, 29 C.F.R. § 1926.1423(f) (fall protection during crane assembly/disassembly). In addressing this issue, the parties are asked to discuss the Sixth Circuit's decision in *Brock v. Cardinal Indus., Inc.*, 828 F.2d 373 (6th Cir. 1987).

The parties are advised that, when a case is directed for review to consider either the merits or characterization of an item, the appropriateness of the penalty is also subject to review. Accordingly, the parties may address the amount of the penalty if they so choose.

All briefs are to be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 93.<sup>1</sup> The first brief is to be filed within 40 days of this notice. A party not intending to file a brief shall notify the Commission

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission requests that all briefs include an alphabetical table of authorities with references to the pages on which they are cited, and that an asterisk be placed in the left-hand margin of the table to indicate those authorities on which the brief principally relies. The Commission also requests that copies of cited authority, other than statutes, regulations, case law, law journal articles, and legal treatises, be provided to the Commission and to the opposing party. Parties should be cautioned that these materials will be considered only if appropriate.

in accordance with Commission Rule 93. The time for filing any responsive briefs (or letters filed in lieu of briefs) shall commence on the date of service.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION

Dated: February 14, 2020

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
John X. Cervený  
Executive Secretary