

## United States of America OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

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<b>SECRETARY</b>	OF L	ABOR.
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Complainant,

v.

OSHRC Docket No. 20-1212

ROY ROCK, LLC,

Respondent.

## **BRIEFING NOTICE**

The parties are requested to brief whether the judge erred in finding that the Secretary established the elements of the alleged general duty clause violation. 29 U.S.C. § 654(a)(1); Arcadian Corp., 20 BNA OSHC 2001, 2007 (No. 93-0628, 2004) (to prove a violation of the general duty clause, the Secretary must establish that: (1) a condition or activity in the workplace presented a hazard; (2) the employer or its industry recognized the hazard; (3) the hazard was causing or likely to cause death or serious physical harm; and (4) a feasible and effective means existed to eliminate or materially reduce the hazard).

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 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: July 15, 2022	<u>/s/</u>
	John X. Cerveny
	Executive Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.