

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA

No. 159A02

FILED: 28 MARCH 2003

RALPH G. WILLEY, Guardian Ad Litem for ELIZABETH MULLINS, Minor
Daughter of WILLIAM HENRY MULLINS, Deceased,
Employee

v.

WILLIAMSON PRODUCE,
Employer,
THE GOFF GROUP,
Carrier

Appeal pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 7A-30(2) from the
decision of a divided panel of the Court of Appeals, 149 N.C.
App. 74, 562 S.E.2d 1 (2002), reversing an amended opinion and
award entered 7 December 2000 by the North Carolina Industrial
Commission and remanding for further proceedings. Heard in the
Supreme Court 10 March 2003.

*Keel O'Malley, L.L.P., by Susan M. O'Malley, for
plaintiff-appellant.*

*Lewis & Roberts, P.L.L.C., by John H. Ruocchio, for
defendant-appellees.*

*Teague, Campbell, Dennis & Gorham, L.L.P., by Linda
Stephens, on behalf of the North Carolina Association
of Defense Attorneys, amicus curiae.*

*Mark T. Sumwalt, P.A., by Vernon Sumwalt, on behalf of
the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, amicus
curiae.*

PER CURIAM.

For the reasons stated in the dissenting opinion, we
reverse the decision of the Court of Appeals.

REVERSED.