IN THE COURT OF CLAIMS OF OHIO

ANN E. JONES :

1921 Maple Road

Cambridge, Ohio 43725 : Case No. 2002-09641-AD

Plaintiff : MEMORANDUM DECISION

V. :

OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL :

Defendant :

For Defendant: Colonel Kenneth L. Morckel

Ohio State Highway Patrol

P.O. Box 182074

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- $\{\P 1\}$ THE COURT FINDS THAT:
- $\{\P2\}$ 1) On October 28, 2002, plaintiff, Ann E. Jones, filed a complaint against defendant, Ohio State Highway Patrol, alleging her automobile was damaged by defendant's personnel. Plaintiff seeks damages in the amount of \$306.93 for automotive repair costs, plus filing fee reimbursement;
- $\{\P3\}$ 2) On December 10, 2002, defendant filed an investigation report admitting liability and acknowledging plaintiff suffered damages in the amount of \$306.93 for repair costs, plus filing fee reimbursement of \$25.00;
- $\{\P4\}$ 3) Plaintiff filed a response expressing her agreement with defendant's position.
 - $\{\P5\}$ THE COURT CONCLUDES THAT
 - $\{\P6\}$ 1) I find, by a preponderance of the evidence,

negligence by defendant has been shown. Baisden v. Southern Ohio Correctional Facility (1977), 76-0617-AD; Stewart v. Ohio National Guard (1979), 78-0342-AD;

- $\{\P7\}$ 2) Plaintiff has suffered damages in the amount of \$306.93, plus the \$25.00 filing fee, which may be reimbursed as compensable damages pursuant to the holding in *Bailey v. Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction* (1990), 62 Ohio Misc. 2d 19.
- $\{\P 8\}$ Having considered all the evidence in the claim file and adopting the memorandum decision concurrently herewith;
 - $\{\P9\}$ IT IS ORDERED THAT:
- $\{\P 10\}$ 1) Plaintiff's claim is GRANTED and judgment is rendered in favor of the plaintiff;
- $\{\P11\}$ 2) Defendant (Ohio State Highway Patrol) pay plaintiff (Ann E. Jones) \$331.93 and such interest as is allowed by law;
 - $\{\P12\}$ 3) Court costs are assessed against defendant.

DANIEL R. BORCHERT Deputy Clerk

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