IN THE COURT OF CLAIMS OF OHIO

DIANE M. E. MORGAN :

Plaintiff :

v. : CASE NO. 2003-01741-AD

DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION : MEMORANDUM DECISION

AND CORRECTION

:

Defendant

$\{\P1\}$ THE COURT FINDS THAT:

- {¶2} 1) On January 22, 2003, plaintiff, Diane M. E. Morgan, filed a complaint against defendant, Department of Rehabilitation and Correction alleging her automobile was damaged while traveling on defendant's premises. Plaintiff seeks damages in the amount of \$250.00, her insurance coverage deductible for automotive damage. Plaintiff submitted the filing fee with her complaint;
- {¶3} 2) On March 7, 2003 defendant filed an investigation report admitting liability and acknowledging plaintiff suffered damages in the amount of \$250.00 for property damage, plus \$25.00 for filing fee reimbursement.
 - {¶4} THE COURT CONCLUDES THAT:
- {¶5} 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;
- {¶6} 2) Plaintiff has suffered damages in the amount of \$250.00, 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.

ORDER

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- {¶7} Having considered all the evidence in the claim file and adopting the memorandum decision concurrently herewith;
 - {¶8} IT IS ORDERED THAT:
- $\{\P 9\}$ 1) Plaintiff's claim is GRANTED and judgment is rendered in favor of the plaintiff;
- {¶10} 2) Defendant (Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction) pay plaintiff (Diane M. E. Morgan) \$275.00 and such interest as is allowed by law;
 - {¶11} 3) Court costs are assessed against defendant.

DANIEL R. BORCHERT Deputy Clerk

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