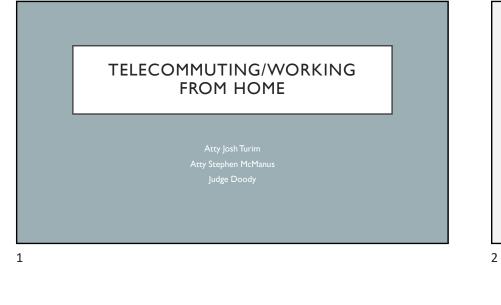
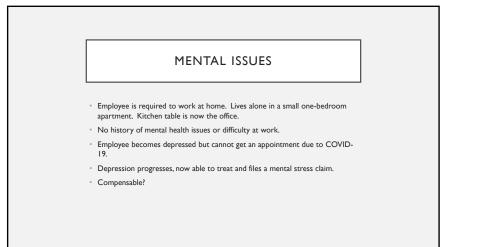
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# PREEXISTING CONDITION

- Sat on a couch or bed while working on the laptop. Developed increased back pain.
- · Had prior chiropractic care once/month for past five years.
- Is experiencing increased back pain while working on the laptop significant enough to create a compensable injury?
- What if x-rays show no demonstrable change from prior condition?

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# PERSONAL ERRAND DURING THE DAY

- Forgot to take the trash out in the morning. Gets up quickly from desk and has a cramp in the leg. Hops to the door. Slips on water outside the door and injures leg again.
- · Does the personal comfort doctrine apply to household chores?
- · What if the employee is sitting cross legged?
- What if they are on a work call with the boss when they go to take out the trash?
   Does this impact compensability?

# PERSONAL CONDITIONS

- An employee has preexisting medical conditions, including diabetes and obesity.
- Employee works at home and elevates feet while working.
- Employee subsequently develops DVT due to extended sedentary time with feet elevated.
- · Employee was not able to elevate feet when they worked at the Employer's office.
- Compensable?

### 5

# EMPLOYER PROVIDED IT EQUIPMENT

- Dog chews through computer cord. Employee attempts to fix it and is electrocuted. Compensable?
- What if the Employer's policy was to have their IT department take care of computer issues and the Employee ignored this?

# 6

## GUEST TRIPS ON IT EQUIPMENT

 Employer provides IT equipment, but the Employee set it up. Did not do a great job hiding the cords, etc. Neighbor comes over (wearing a mask) to bring veggies from the garden. Neighbor trips on cord. Who is responsible?

# BATHROOM SLIP AND FALL Goes to bathroom; slipped on water that spouse spilled and did not clean up. Is the personal comfort doctrine applicable? Compensable? What if the Employee spilled the water there earlier when not working and just left the water there? Any third-party liability?

