



APPEAL PANEL DECISION FORM

I. CLAIMANT AND CLAIM INFORMATION

Claimant Name	Last/Name of Business ████████████████████	First ██████████	Middle ██████████
Claimant ID	██████████	Claim ID	██████████
Claim Type	Business Economic Loss		
Law Firm	██████████		

II. DECISION

Denial Upheld

Denial Overturned

III. PRIMARY BASIS FOR PANELIST DECISION

Please select the primary basis for your decision. You may also write a comment describing the basis for your decision.

- Claim should have been excluded.**
- Claim should have been denied.**
- Claim should not have been excluded.**
- Claim should not have been denied.**
- No error.**

Comment *(optional)*:

See reasons submitted to Appeals Coordinator.

Reasons for Decision



November 14, 2014

Claimant filed a BEL Claim, but was denied on the grounds that Claimant did not meet the causation test. Claimant appealed *pro se* contending that its Claim was “improperly denied.”

Based on the documentation submitted, Claimant was unable to meet any of the causation tests. A cursory review of Claimant’s financials supports the Settlement Program’s denial. For instance, Claimant reported the following income on its federal tax returns: 2007 \$6,359; 2008 <\$15,072>; 2009 <\$12,190>; 2010 \$10,503. Assuming that Claimant’s P&L’s mirrored Claimant’s tax returns, Claimant was unable to show a decline in earnings between the Benchmark Period and the Compensation Period.

Based on this Panelist’s review of the record, it appears as if Claimant’s Claim was properly processed. Hence, the denial of this Claim is upheld.