- 39. (a) The Commission shall make or cause to be made such investigation of any claim as it deems necessary, and upon application of either party, shall order a hearing. Within thirty days after a claim for compensation is submitted under this section, or such hearing concluded the Commission shall make or deny an award, determining such claim for compensation, and file same in the office of the Commission.
- (b) If aggravation, diminution or termination of disability takes place or is discovered after the rate of compensation shall have been established or compensation terminated in any case, the Commission may, upon the application of any party in interest or upon its own motion, readjust for future application the rate of compensation, or in a proper case, terminate the payments.
- (c) The powers and jurisdiction of the Commission over each case shall be continuing, and it may, from time to time, make such modifications or changes with respect to former findings or orders with respect thereto as in its opinion may be justified; provided, however, that no modification or change of any award of compensation shall be made by the Commission unless application therefor shall be made to the Commission within three years next following the last payment of compensation.
- (d) When it shall be established that failure to file an application for change or modification was induced or occasioned by fraud, or by facts and circumstances amounting to an estoppel, application for change or modification shall be filed within one year from the time of the discovery of the fraud or within one year from the time when the facts and circumstances amounting to an estoppel cease to operate and not afterwards.
- 48. No compensation shall be allowed for three calendar days after the beginning of disability, except disbursements herein authorized for medical, nurse and hospital services and medicines and for funeral expenses; provided, however, that in case the injury results in disability of more than twenty-eight days, compensation shall be allowed from the date of disability. The day on which the injury occurred shall be included in computing this waiting period, if the employee was not paid for such day.
- 50. In every case providing for compensation to an employee or his dependent, excepting temporary disability, the Commission may, if in its opinion the facts and circumstances of the case warrant it, convert the compensation to be paid in a partial or total lump sum, without discount [.]; provided, however, that in all permanent total disability cases, the Commission shall direct such lump sum to be reimbursed to the employer or insurer by providing in its order that a portion, as fixed by the Commission, of each weekly payment payable to the employee under such award, shall be retained by the employer or insurer, each week, until the amount granted in a lump sum shall have been repaid.
- 58. If the Commission or the Court before which any proceedings for compensation or concerning an award of compensation have been brought, under this Article, determines that such proceedings have not been so brought upon reasonable ground, it shall assess the whole cost of the proceedings upon the party who has so brought them, in-