Case No.:1600180/2019



## **EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS**

Claimant: Mr. F. Velluto

**Respondent:** Kimberley-Clark Ltd.

**HELD AT:** Mold **ON:** 11 – 15 November 2019

**BEFORE:** Employment Judge T. Vincent Ryan

Mr. A. Fryer Ms. C. Williams

## REPRESENTATION:

Claimant: Ms. R. Jones, Counsel

Respondent: Mr. O. Prys-Lewis, Counsel

## **JUDGMENT**

The unanimous judgment and declaration of the Tribunal is:

- 1. The respondent, notwithstanding that it took reasonable steps to attempt to prevent harassment occurring, discriminated against the claimant by harassment in relation to the protected characteristic of disability on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018 when, during a disciplinary hearing, he was asked "Why were you in work if it [the claimant's disabling condition/its symptoms and/or management of them] was that serious?"
- 2. The respondent shall pay to the claimant £3,000 by way of damages for injury to his feelings in relation to the above judgment.
- 3. The claimant's claim of direct discrimination in relation to the protected characteristic of disability is dismissed upon it having been withdrawn by the claimant.
- 4. The claimant was fairly dismissed by the respondent on 31st October 2018 for a reason related to his conduct.
- 5. The claimant's claims that he was unfairly dismissed, and discriminated against in relation to disability (indirectly, by a failure to make reasonable adjustments, because of something arising in consequence of his disability

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and, save as provided above at paragraph 1, harassment) fail and are dismissed.

Employment Judge T.V. Ryan

Date: 15.11.19

JUDGMENT SENT TO THE PARTIES ON

19 December 2019

FOR THE TRIBUNAL OFFICE

## <u>Note</u>

Reasons for the judgment having been given orally at the hearing, written reasons will not be provided unless a request was made by either party at the hearing (and no such request was made) or a written request is presented by either party within 14 days of the sending of this written record of the decision.