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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

No. 01-1798

BEVERLY FOSTER,

Appellant

v.

CRAWFORD & COMPANY, ELISE MAULDIN, and GEORGE SCHIFF

On Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

District Court Judge: The Honorable Katharine S. Hayden. (D.C. Civil Action No. 98-CV-5454)

Submitted Under Third Circuit L.A.R. 34.1(a)
January 8, 2002

Before: MANSMANN, RENDELL, and FUENTES, Circuit Judges

(Opinion Filed: February 13, 2002)

MEMORANDUM OPINION

FUENTES, Circuit Judge:

Plaintiff Beverly Foster filed this Title VII action against her former employer

Crawford & Company and several Crawford & Company employees. After the individual defendants were dismissed, Crawford & Company moved for summary judgment. Crawford & Company argued that Foster's Title VII claim should be barred

under the doctrine of claim preclusion because Foster raised a Title VII claim against

Crawford & Company in a prior suit which was dismissed. The District Court granted

Crawford & Company's motion for summary judgment, concluding that Foster's Title

VII action was barred by claim preclusion, and dismissed Foster's complaint in its entirety.

We have carefully considered Foster's arguments in this appeal. We hold that they

lack merit. For the reasons substantially stated in Judge Hayden's thorough and well-

reasoned opinion, we affirm the Judgment of the District Court.

TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT:

Kindly file the foregoing Opinion.

/s/ Julio M. Fuentes Circuit Judge