U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of KEVIN L. GRAHAM <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL CENTER, Philadelphia, Pa.

Docket No. 97-118; Submitted on the Record; Issued August 5, 1998

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before MICHAEL E. GROOM, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs met its burden of proof to terminate appellant's compensation effective February 11, 1995 on the grounds that he had no further disability or condition causally related to his November 22, 1993 employment injury.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal, and the entire case record. The Board finds that the decision of the hearing representative of the Office dated June 10, 1996 is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the Office hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated June 10, 1996 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. August 5, 1998

> Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member