

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of MICHAEL D. HICKS and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Toledo, Ohio

*Docket No. 97-558; Submitted on the Record;
Issued December 28, 1998*

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant met his burden of proof to establish that he sustained a recurrence of disability on July 30, 1990.

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 Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, dated and finalized August 19, 1996, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The August 19, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
December 28, 1998

George E. Rivers
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member