

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JOAN BETHONEY and DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,
BROCKTON HOSPITAL, Brockton, Mass.

*Docket No. 97-134; Submitted on the Record;
Issued September 10, 1998*

DECISION and ORDER

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

The issue is whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs met its burden of proof to terminate appellant's compensation benefits.

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 hearing representative dated and finalized July 25, 1996, is in accordance with the facts and law in the case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusion of the hearing representative.

The July 25, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
September 10, 1998

George E. Rivers
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member