

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of BEN L. WELCH and DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY,  
TRANSATLANTIC PROGRAMS CENTER, Winchester, VA

*Docket No. 98-2029; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued December 29, 1999*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, MICHAEL E. GROOM,  
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs properly denied appellant's claim on the grounds that the claim was not filed within the applicable time limitation provisions of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the decision of the hearing representative of the Office dated May 28, 1998 and finalized May 29, 1998 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 May 28, 1998 and finalized May 29, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
December 29, 1999

Willie T.C. Thomas  
Alternate Member

Michael E. Groom  
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott  
Alternate Member