U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JANICE BOYD AUSTIN <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Minden, LA

Docket No. 98-1403; Submitted on the Record; Issued November 2, 1999

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 reduced appellant's compensation benefits, effective November 21, 1995, to reflect her wage-earning capacity as a modified service representative.

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 February 11, 1998 decision of the hearing representative of the Office, finalized on that date, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.¹

¹ See Robert S. Winchester, 45 ECAB 135 (1993).

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated February 11, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. November 2, 1999

> Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member