

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of LISA NIEBELS and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,  
DARLINGTON POST OFFICE, Pawtucket, RI

*Docket No. 99-1325; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued December 27, 2000*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, A. PETER KANJORSKI,  
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof to establish that she sustained an emotional condition in the performance of duty.

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 Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative dated January 20, 1999, which affirmed the Office's March 6, 1998 decision, 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 January 20, 1999 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC  
December 27, 2000

David S. Gerson  
Member

A. Peter Kanjorski  
Alternate Member

Valerie D. Evans-Harrell  
Alternate Member