U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JUNIOR R. BRYANT <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Mount Airy, NC

Docket No. 98-2418; Submitted on the Record; Issued February 17, 2000

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, MICHAEL E. GROOM, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that he sustained an emotional condition and muscle contraction headaches in the performance of duty.

The Board has given carefully consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the July 20, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The July 20, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. February 17, 2000

George E. Rivers Member

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member