U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of MICHAEL T. JONES <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, GRANT STREET STATION, Pittsburgh, PA

Docket No. 99-1016; Submitted on the Record; Issued June 27, 2000

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before DAVID S. GERSON, MICHAEL E. GROOM, A. PETER KANJORSKI

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

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 hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated October 1, 1998 which affirmed as modified the Office's October 3, 1997 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 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative dated October 1, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. June 27, 2000

> David S. Gerson Member

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member