U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of STANLEY E. SMITH and DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, FORT MCOY, WI

Docket No. 99-1587; Submitted on the Record; Issued September 13, 2000

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, MICHAEL E. GROOM, VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL

The issue is whether appellant has greater than a six percent permanent monaural (left ear) hearing impairment, for which he has received a schedule award.

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 January 28, 1999 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the law and the facts in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

Accordingly, the decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated January 28, 1999 and April 13, 1998 are hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC September 13, 2000

> Willie T.C. Thomas Member

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Valerie D. Evans-Harrell Alternate Member