

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of ALMITRA R. CURLEE and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Royal Oak, MI

*Docket No. 02-340; Submitted on the Record;
Issued July 9, 2002*

DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant established that she sustained a recurrence of disability, commencing February 17, 2000, due to the September 24, 1992 employment injury.

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 May 22, 2001 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs 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 The medical evidence appellant submitted to establish a recurrence of disability consisting of the reports of her treating physician, Mark J. Brennan, a Board-certified physiatrist, lacked adequate medical rationale establishing a causal connection between appellant's current medical condition and her September 24, 1992 employment injury. See *Annie L. Billingsley*, 50 ECAB 210, 213 (1998); *Wendell D. Harrell*, 49 ECAB 289, 290 (1998).

The May 22, 2001 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
July 9, 2002

David S. Gerson
Alternate Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member