## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of ZANE B. STILWELL <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Hickory, NC

Docket No. 02-529; Submitted on the Record; Issued July 2, 2002

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## **DECISION** and **ORDER**

## Before ALEC J. KOROMILAS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant met his burden to establish that he sustained a right shoulder injury in the performance of duty on October 7, 1999.

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 hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated and finalized May 8, 2001 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 dated and finalized May 8, 2001 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC July 2, 2002

> Alec J. Koromilas Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member