U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of DWAYNE BRENTSON <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Cleveland, OH

Docket No. 02-1192; Submitted on the Record; Issued October 17, 2002

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before ALEC J. KOROMILAS, DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof in establishing that he was disabled by his accepted right shoulder condition from January 14, 1996 through May 4, 1997 and from January 15 through October 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 January 9, 2002 decision of the hearing representative 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.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' dated January 9, 2002 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC October 17, 2002

> Alec J. Koromilas Member

David S. Gerson Alternate Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member