## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of MARGARET S. PAPOVICH <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Falls Church, Va.

Docket No. 97-826; Submitted on the Record; Issued September 24, 1998

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

## Before MICHAEL E. GROOM, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant is entitled to a schedule award for a permanent impairment of the right lower extremity due to an April 16, 1992 employment injury.

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 April 29, 1996 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 April 29, 1996 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. September 24, 1998

> Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member