U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of LINDA M. PHILLIPS <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, CANANDAIGUA VETERANS HOSPITAL, Canandaigua, N.Y.

Docket No. 97-1971; Submitted on the Record; Issued March 16, 1999

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, DAVID S. GERSON, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that any condition of her left knee, other than a contusion, is causally related to the accepted work incident of May 7, 1993 whereby she banged her knee against a desk.

. 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 and made final on July 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 July 29, 1996 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. March 16, 1999

> George E. Rivers Member

David S. Gerson Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member