

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of PATRICK KEETH and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, JACK D. WATSON  
GENERAL MAIL FACILITY, Fort Worth, TX

*Docket No. 99-855; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued December 18, 2000*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before MICHAEL E. GROOM, PRISCILLA ANNE SCHWAB,  
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof in establishing that he developed an emotional condition due to factors of his federal employment.

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 September 3, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, finalized September 4, 1998, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The September 3, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, finalized September 4, 1998, is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC  
December 18, 2000

Michael E. Groom  
Alternate Member

Priscilla Anne Schwab  
Alternate Member

Valerie D. Evans-Harrell  
Alternate Member