

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of DEBORAH A. PARKER and DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,  
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL CENTER, Waco, Tex.

*Docket No. 96-1711; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued July 22, 1998*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,  
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issues are: (1) whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs correctly found an overpayment of \$580.38; and (2) whether waiver of recovery of the overpayment was properly denied pursuant to section 8129(b) of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.<sup>1</sup>

The Board has given careful consideration to the issues involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal, and the entire case record. The Board finds that the April 23, 1996 decision of the Office's hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and therefore adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The April 23, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
July 22, 1998

George E. Rivers  
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas  
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott  
Alternate Member

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<sup>1</sup> 5 U.S.C. § 8129(a); 5 U.S.C. §§ 8101-8193. (1974).