

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of HARLAN HORN and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,  
CINNCINATI BULK MAIL CENTER, Cincinnati, Ohio

*Docket No. 96-2615; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued September 30, 1998*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, MICHAEL E. GROOM,  
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof in establishing that his recurrence of disability as of March 11, 1993 was causally related to his February 2, 1981 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 July 24, 1996 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, finalized on July 29, 1996, is in accordance with the fact and 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 July 29, 1996, is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
September 30, 1998

Willie T.C. Thomas  
Alternate Member

Michael E. Groom  
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott  
Alternate Member