#### U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

# In the Matter of LUCRETIA RUSSELL <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Cleveland, OH

Docket No. 98-1688; Submitted on the Record; Issued December 9, 1999

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

### Before DAVID S. GERSON, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she sustained an emotional condition on February 20, 1997.

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 Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, dated April 7, 1998 and finalized April 8, 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 April 8, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. December 9, 1999

> David S. Gerson Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski

## Alternate Member