

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of RODNEY R. MINKLEIN and DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE,
647TH SUPPORT GROUP, HANSCOM AIR FORCE BASE, Mass.

*Docket No. 97-1405; Submitted on the Record;
Issued June 3, 1999*

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, DAVID S. GERSON,
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has established that he developed an intestinal condition due to stress, causally related to compensable factors of his federal employment.

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 February 18, 1997 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

Accordingly, the decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated February 18, 1997 and November 12, 1996 are hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
June 3, 1999

George E. Rivers
Member

David S. Gerson
Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member