

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of GEORGIA C. SPARKS and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Cleveland, OH

*Docket No. 98-2014; Submitted on the Record;
Issued April 7, 2000*

DECISION and ORDER

Before MICHAEL E. GROOM, BRADLEY T. KNOTT,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she developed an emotional condition due to factors of her 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 March 12, 1998 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.¹

¹ Following the March 12, 1998 decision, appellant submitted additional new evidence. As the Office did not consider this evidence in reaching a final decision, the Board may not review it for the first time on appeal. 20 C.F.R. § 501.2(c).

The March 12, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
April 7, 2000

Michael E. Groom
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott
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A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member