U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of MICHAEL L. SCHIFANO <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Oakland Park, FL

Docket No. 00-501; Submitted on the Record; Issued February 8, 2001

DECISION and **ORDER**

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

The issue is whether appellant sustained an emotional condition causally related to factors of his 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 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, dated and finalized August 13, 1999, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the Office hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated and finalized August 13, 1999 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC February 8, 2001

> Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member