## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of THOMAS BURKE <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Boston, MA

Docket No. 99-2528; Submitted on the Record; Issued June 13, 2001

**DECISION** and **ORDER** 

## Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant had increased disability after January 15, 1997 due to his April 9, 1992 work injury.

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 hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated and finalized October 7, 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 October 7, 1999 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC June 13, 2001

> Willie T.C. Thomas Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member