

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of GLORIA ST. GERMAIN, claiming as spouse of THOMAS W. ST. GERMAIN  
and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POSTAL SERVICE GARAGE, Livonia, MI

*Docket No. 00-692; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued March 6, 2001*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,  
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether the employee's death on April 1, 1995 was causally related to factors of his 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 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated August 31, 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 that appellant has not established that the employee's death on April 1, 1995 was causally related to factors of his federal employment.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated August 31, 1999 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC  
March 6, 2001

David S. Gerson  
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas  
Member

Bradley T. Knott  
Alternate Member