U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of WILLIAM BARRY <u>and DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u>, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, Los Angeles, CA

Docket No. 00-1598; Submitted on the Record; Issued November 9, 2001

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, MICHAEL E. GROOM, BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has established that his disqualification as an air traffic controller and resulting wage loss was causally related to his August 5, 1998 employment 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 Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, dated and finalized on January 6, 2000, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated January 6, 2000 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC November 9, 2001

> Willie T.C. Thomas Member

Michael E. Groom Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member