

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of MARIA RODRIGUEZ and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
CATHEDRAL STATION, New York, NY

*Docket No. 01-1811; Submitted on the Record;
Issued April 3, 2002*

DECISION and ORDER

Before ALEC J. KOROMILAS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she sustained a back injury due to 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 May 17, 2001 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.

The May 17, 2001 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
April 3, 2002

Alec J. Koromilas
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member