

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of LOUIS MARINO and DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE,
TORREJON AIR FORCE BASE, Torrejon, Spain

*Docket No. 96-1926; Submitted on the Record;
Issued April 27, 1998*

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, DAVID S. GERSON,
WILLIE T.C. THOMAS

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof in establishing that he was totally disabled after February 4, 1986 due to his June 24, 1985 employment injury.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal, and the entire case record. The Board finds that the May 6, 1996 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, finalized on May 6, 1996, is in accordance with the facts and 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 and finalized May 6, 1996, is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
April 27, 1998

George E. Rivers
Member

David S. Gerson
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member