

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JOSEPH T. RICHTER and DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE,
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE, S.D.

*Docket No. 96-1046; Submitted on the Record;
Issued February 23, 1998*

DECISION and ORDER

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

The issue is whether appellant met his burden of proof in establishing a causal relationship between his amotrophic lateral sclerosis and his federal employment.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issues involved, the contentions of appellant 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 made final on December 15, 1995 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 December 15, 1995 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
February 23, 1998

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member