

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of MARGARET A. VIGIL, claiming as widow of STEVEN Q. VIGIL and
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, PUEBLO CHEMICAL DEPOT, Pueblo, CO

*Docket No. 98-1421; Submitted on the Record;
Issued October 28, 1999*

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, MICHAEL E. GROOM,
BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant met her burden of proof to establish that the employee's death by suicide was causally related to factors of his federal employment.

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 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated February 10, 1998 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 February 10, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
October 28, 1999

George E. Rivers
Member

Michael E. Groom
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member