

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of IRVING E. SOBOTKA and VETERANS ADMINISTRATION,
DAYTON VETERANS HOSPITAL, Dayton, OH

*Docket No. 97-2776; Submitted on the Record;
Issued September 13, 1999*

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that he developed an emotional condition in the performance of duty, 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 and made final on August 5, 1997 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 August 5, 1997 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
September 13, 1999

George E. Rivers
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member