

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of LENA FAYE HOGUE and DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,
MEDICAL CENTER, Brecksville, OH

*Docket No. 99-138; Submitted on the Record;
Issued April 17, 2000*

DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, BRADLEY T. KNOTT,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she sustained a recurrence of disability based on her July 8, 1997 accepted left hand 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 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative dated August 24, 1998 and finalized on August 25, 1998 is in accordance with the facts and the 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 August 24, and finalized August 25, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
April 17, 2000

David S. Gerson
Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member