

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of CAMILA RUIZ-GARZON and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Wallingford, CT

*Docket No. 99-1033; Submitted on the Record;
Issued July 20, 2000*

DECISION and ORDER

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, MICHAEL E. GROOM,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof to establish that she sustained a recurrence of total disability on April 22, 1997 causally related to her accepted employment injury.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the October 8, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative 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 October 8, 1998 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
July 20, 2000

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

Michael E. Groom
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member