

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JOSEPH A. ESTES and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
POST OFFICE, Nashville, TN

*Docket No. 01-239; Submitted on the Record;
Issued August 31, 2001*

DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that he sustained an arthritis condition in his right knee in the performance of duty.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contention of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the August 14, 1998 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is in accordance with the fact 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 14, 1998 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
August 31, 2001

David S. Gerson
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member