

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of CARL D. THORNTON and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
MAIN POST OFFICE, Greenville, MS

*Docket No. 00-2207; Submitted on the Record;
Issued May 4, 2001*

DECISION and ORDER

Before DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS,
PRISCILLA ANNE SCHWAB

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof to establish that he sustained a recurrence of disability on September 12, 1998 causally related to his accepted September 2, 1997 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 April 7, 2000 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 Office hearing representative.

The April 7, 2000 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
May 4, 2001

David S. Gerson
Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Member

Priscilla Anne Schwab
Alternate Member