

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JANINE M. BRACCIA and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,
MIDWOOD STATION, Brooklyn, NY

*Docket No. 01-1255; Submitted on the Record;
Issued June 14, 2002*

DECISION and ORDER

Before ALEC J. KOROMILAS, DAVID S. GERSON,
WILLIE T.C. THOMAS

The issue is whether the disability claimed beginning December 8, 1999 is causally related to the accepted work injury of January 16, 1997.

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 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative dated July 18, 2000 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 July 18, 2000 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, DC
June 14, 2002

Alec J. Koromilas
Member

David S. Gerson
Alternate Member

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member