

OWCP did not address this discrepancy in the facts.¹ It is unclear in the record forwarded to the Board whether appellant was working a light-duty assignment, had returned to full unrestricted duty, or whether her position was withdrawn by the employing establishment on May 22, 2010. These questions must be clarified.

The record on appeal also appears incomplete because there are significant gaps in time for documents submitted since the claim was filed on January 7, 1991. When presented with an inadequate record, the Board must provide OWCP with an opportunity to provide full information.²

Because the Board is unable to render a fully informed decision, the September 1, 2010 decision will be set aside and the case remanded. On remand, OWCP will undertake appropriate development to reconstruct the case record. Following this and such further development as it may deem necessary, OWCP shall issue a merit decision on appellant's schedule award and recurrence claims.

¹ "Any discrepancies found must be clarified by obtaining the necessary factual evidence before the claim can be properly adjudicated." Federal (FECA) Procedure Manual, Part 2 -- Claims, *Initial Development of Claims*, Chapter 2.800.7(b)(1) (June 2011).

² *Richard Kendall*, 43 ECAB 790 (1992).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' schedule award decision dated September 1, 2010 and recurrence decision dated September 1, 2010 are set aside and the case remanded to OWCP for further proceedings consistent with this decision.

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Richard J. Daschbach, Chief Judge
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Colleen Duffy Kiko, Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Michael E. Groom, Alternate Judge
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