

Appellant again requested reconsideration on October 12, 2017 and advised that his physician had provided an updated diagnosis which should be sufficient to establish his claim.

By decision dated February 15, 2018, OWCP denied appellant's request for reconsideration, finding that it was untimely filed and failed to demonstrate clear evidence of error. It noted that the only evidence reviewed on reconsideration was appellant's narrative statement and that he had failed to provide factual or medical evidence in support of his claim.

The Board finds that OWCP failed to review Dr. Chadha's reports or the chiropractor's July 19, 2016 Form CA-17 report. In the case of *William A. Couch*, the Board held that, when adjudicating a claim, OWCP is obligated to consider all evidence properly submitted by a claimant and received by OWCP before the final decision is issued.¹ The case will therefore be remanded to OWCP to enable a proper consideration of the evidence that was of record at the time of its February 15, 2018 decision to be followed by an appropriate decision regarding appellant's request for reconsideration.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the February 15, 2018 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is set aside and the case is remanded to OWCP for further proceedings consistent with this order of the Board.

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Alec J. Koromilas, Chief Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Christopher J. Godfrey, Deputy Chief Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Patricia H. Fitzgerald, Alternate Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

¹ *William A. Couch*, 41 ECAB 548, 553 (1990).