

**United States Department of Labor
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board**

P.V., Appellant

and

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,
CUSTOMS & BORDER PATROL,
Santa Teresa, NM, Employer**

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**Docket No. 22-0131
Issued: November 30, 2021**

Appearances:
Appellant, pro se
Office of Solicitor, for the Director

Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:

ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Alternate Judge

On November 4, 2021 appellant filed an appeal from a May 8, 2019 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 22-0131.

The Board has duly considered the matter and notes that the Board has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.¹ For final adverse decisions of OWCP issued on or after November 19, 2008, the Board's review authority is limited to appeals which are filed within 180 days from the date of issuance of OWCP's decision.²

The 180th day following the May 8, 2019 decision was November 4, 2019. As appellant did not file an appeal with the Board until November 4, 2021, more than 180 days after the May 8, 2019 OWCP decision, the Board finds that the appeal docketed as No. 22-0131 is untimely filed. The Board is without jurisdiction to review the appeal. Appellant has not offered a reason to

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8149; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a) (2009).

² *Id.* at § 501.3(e).

explain the failure to timely file an appeal with supporting documentation sufficient to establish compelling circumstances.

The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance."³

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 22-0131 is dismissed.

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Washington, DC

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

Janice B. Askin, Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Patricia H. Fitzgerald, Alternate Judge
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³ *Id.* at § 501.6(d).