

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

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A.L., Appellant)

and)

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, WAKEFIELD POST)
OFFICE, Wakefield, RI, Employer)
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Docket No. 22-0782

Issued: December 5, 2022

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

Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:

ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge
JAMES D. McGINLEY, Alternate Judge

On April 20, 2022 appellant sought an appeal from a purported October 25, 2021 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 22-0782.

The Board has duly considered the matter and notes that the Board has jurisdiction to the review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA).¹ This jurisdiction encompasses any final decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed her appeal.² While there is correspondence dated October 25, 2021, that letter is purely informational in nature and does not constitute a final adverse decision of OWCP from which appellant may properly appeal.³ As there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8101 *et seq.*; 20 C.F.R. §§501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

² 20 C.F.R. § 501.3(e) provides in pertinent part: "Any notice of appeal must be filed within 180 days from the date of issuance of a decision of OWCP."

³ See *Order Dismissing Appeal, K.S.*, Docket No. 20-1401 (issued March 17, 2021); *Order Dismissing Appeal, S.U.*, Docket No. 20-0636 (issued December 3, 2020).

over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 22-0782 must be dismissed. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as Docket No. 22-0782 is dismissed.⁴

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

Valerie D. Evans-Harrell, Alternate Judge
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⁴ The Board's decisions and orders are final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance. 20 C.F.R. § 501.6(d).