United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Y.J., Appellant and U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE,))))) Docket No. 23-0058) Issued: November 21, 2022
Oakland, CA, Employer	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 October 20, 2022 appellant filed an appeal from a March 14, 2022 nonmerit decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 23-0058.

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 March 14, 2022 decision was September 10, 2022. As appellant did not file an appeal with the Board until October 20, 2022, more than 180 days after the March 14, 2022 OWCP decision, the Board finds that the appeal docketed as No. 23-0058 is untimely filed. The Board is without jurisdiction to review the appeal. Appellant has not explained her failure to timely file an appeal with supporting documentation sufficient to establish compelling circumstances. Because 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).

within 180 days of the filing of the instant appeal, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 23-0058, must be dismissed.³ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 23-0058 is dismissed.

Issued: November 21, 2022 Washington, DC

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

> Valerie D. Evans-Harrell, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

> James D. McGinley, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

³ The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance." Id. at § 501.6(d).