United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

M.P., Appellant)))
and) Issued: September 30, 2022
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY,)
COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS)
COMMAND, ABERDEEN PROVING)
GROUND, Aberdeen, MD, Employer)
)
Appearances:	Case Submitted on the Record
Appellant, pro se	
Office of Solicitor, for the Director	

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:

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

On June 6, 2022 appellant sought an appeal from a purported May 24, 2022 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs. The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 22-0949.

The Board has duly considered the matter and notes that its jurisdiction is limited to the review of final adverse OWCP decisions issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). This jurisdiction encompasses any final adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed his appeal. As of the filing of the current appeal, the most recent OWCP decision was dated March 22, 2021. However, by a May 24, 2022 decision in Docket No. 21-0990, the Board affirmed OWCP's March 22, 2021 decision, finding that it properly determined that appellant had abandoned his request for an oral hearing before a representative of

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8149; 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 the OWCP."

OWCP's Branch of Hearings and Review.³ As there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the filing of this appeal,⁴ over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 22-0949 must be dismissed. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 22-0949 is dismissed.

Issued: September 30, 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

 $^{^{3}}$ Docket No. 21-0990 (issued May 24, 2022).

⁴ Supra note 2.