United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

P.J., Appellant and DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE, PATENT PUBLICATIONS OFFICE, Arlington, VA, Employer))))) Docket No. 23-1025) Issued: December 11, 2023))
Appearances: Appellant, pro se Office of Solicitor, for the Director	Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before: PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge

JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge JAMES D. McGINLEY, Alternate Judge

On July 26, 2023 appellant sought an appeal from a purported July 13, 2023 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 23-1025.

The Board, having duly considered the matter, notes that its jurisdiction is limited to the review of final adverse OWCP decisions issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). The case record as transmitted to the Board does not contain a final adverse decision of OWCP within the Board's jurisdiction. As there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP

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

² The case record contains a document dated July 13, 2023, but this is an informational letter wherein OWCP explained to appellant why she received schedule award compensation for a period, rather than wage-loss compensation, and it does not constitute a final decision of OWCP. The case record also contains a document dated May 23, 2023 wherein OWCP advised her that the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) codes for her accepted conditions had been updated, but this also is an informational letter rather than a final decision of OWCP.

over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 23-1025 must be dismissed. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 23-1025 is dismissed.

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Washington, DC

Patricia H. Fitzgerald, Deputy Chief Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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