

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

G.H., Appellant	)	
	)	
and	)	Docket No. 22-0726
	)	Issued: April 5, 2024
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,	)	
HAMPTON VA MEDICAL CENTER,	)	
Hampton, VA, Employer	)	
	)	

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

*Case Submitted on the Record*

**ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL**

Before:  
ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge  
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge  
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

On May 26, 2022 appellant filed a timely appeal from April 5 and May 20, 2022 merit decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 22-0890.

On April 4, 2022 appellant filed a timely appeal from a March 16, 2022 merit decision of OWCP, addressing the same issue(s) as those on appeal in Docket No. 22-0890 also in OWCP file number xxxxxx872. The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 22-0726.

The Board has duly considered the matter and concludes that since there are now two docket numbers assigned to the same issues addressed by OWCP, one must be dismissed. Since Docket No. 22-0726 addresses an OWCP decision involving the same issues as those addressed in Docket No. 22-0890, the appeal docketed as No. 22-0726 must be dismissed. Docket No. 22-0890 has gone forward.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly,

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<sup>1</sup> Docket No. 22-0890 (issued January 9, 2023).

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** the appeal docketed as No. 22-0726 is dismissed.<sup>2</sup>

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Washington, DC

Alec J. Koromilas, Chief Judge  
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<sup>2</sup> 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).