United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

| E.G., Appellant and DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE, AIR TRAINING COMMAND, JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Lackland, TX, |)))) Docket No. 25-0266) Issued: February 14, 2025)) |
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| 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 January 21, 2025, appellant filed an appeal from a purported December 3, 2024 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 25-0266.

The Board, having duly considered the matter, notes that its jurisdiction is limited to the review of final adverse decisions 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 this appeal.² Although the case record contains a document prepared by OWCP dated December 3, 2024, it is an internal memorandum. Thus, it does not constitute a final adverse decision from which appellant may properly appeal.³ As there is no final adverse 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 the OWCP."

³ See Order Dismissing Appeal, J.G., Docket No. 22-0657 (issued April 19, 2023); 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) (correspondence that is purely informational in nature does not constitute a final adverse decision of OWCP from which appellant may properly appeal).

decision over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 25-0266 must be dismissed.⁴ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 25-0266 is dismissed.

Issued: February 14, 2025 Washington, DC

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

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

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

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).