

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

C.A., Appellant

and

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY,
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,
Chamblee, GA, Employer

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Docket No. 26-0582
Issued: August 4, 2026

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
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge

On June 9, 2026 appellant filed an appeal from a purported July 21, 2025 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards docketed the appeal as No. 26-0582.

The Board, having duly considered this matter, notes that the Board has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA).¹ Although a letter dated July 21, 2025 is contained in the record, it is purely informational in nature and, thus, does not constitute a final adverse OWCP decision from which appellant may properly appeal.² 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.³

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8101 *et seq.*; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

² See 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a); *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).

³ 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."

Because there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the filing of the instant appeal, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 26-0582 must be dismissed.⁴ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 26-0582 is dismissed.

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

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

Janice B. Askin, Judge
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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).