

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

S.H., Appellant)	
)	
and)	Docket No. 25-0824
)	Issued: January 13, 2026
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, TAMPA)	
PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER,)	
Tampa, FL, Employer)	
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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
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

On August 12, 2025 appellant filed an appeal from a March 20, 2006 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards docketed the appeal as No. 25-0824.

The Board, having duly considered this matter, notes that it has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA).¹ For final adverse decisions of OWCP issued prior to November 19, 2008, the Board's review authority is limited to appeals which are filed within one year from the date of issuance of OWCP's decision.²

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. § 501.3(d)(2) (2008). For final adverse decisions issued by OWCP on and 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. See 20 C.F.R. § 501.3(e) (2009).

As appellant did not file an appeal with the Board until August 12, 2025, more than one year after the March 20, 2006 OWCP decision, the Board finds that the appeal docketed as No. 25-0824 is untimely filed. The Board is without jurisdiction to review the appeal.³ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 25-0824 is dismissed.

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Washington, DC

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

Janice B. Askin, Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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

³ 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).