## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of MICHAEL C. STRAUB <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Detroit, MI

Docket No. 98-2340; Submitted on the Record; Issued March 13, 2000

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## **DECISION** and **ORDER**

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof to establish that he sustained an employment injury on June 20, 1997, as alleged.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the July 10, 1998 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated July 10, 1998 and October 6, 1997 are hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. March 13, 2000

George E. Rivers Member

David S. Gerson Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member