

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

W.M., Appellant

and

**U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE,
Waldorf, MD, Employer**

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**Docket No. 15-1068
Issued: June 20, 2016**

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

Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER REMANDING CASE

Before:

CHRISTOPHER J. GODFREY, Chief Judge
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge
COLLEEN DUFFY KIKO, Judge

On April 13, 2015 appellant filed a timely application for review of the January 20, 2015 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) in OWCP file number xxxxxx897 and requested oral argument. In the January 20, 2015 decision, OWCP terminated appellant's medical and wage-loss compensation effective January 20, 2014. The Board docketed this appeal as No. 15-1068.

The Board has duly considered the matter and notes that the Director has not transmitted a complete copy of the January 20, 2015 decision by OWCP. Pursuant to the Board's regulations, OWCP shall provide to the Board the case record.¹ The copy of the decision currently before the Board does not include all pages from the Notice of Final Termination. Therefore, the decision is incomplete, and the Board is not able to provide a proper review. The Board, therefore, finds that the appeal docketed as No. 15-1068 is not currently in posture for a decision.

Accordingly, the case is remanded to OWCP for reconstruction and proper assemblage of the record to include a complete copy of the January 20, 2015 decision. On remand, OWCP shall issue a *de novo* decision in order to protect appellant's appeal rights.

¹ 20 C.F.R. § 501.4(b)(1).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated January 20, 2015 is set aside, and the case is remanded to the OWCP for further action consistent with this order of the Board.

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Washington, DC

Christopher J. Godfrey, Chief Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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

Colleen Duffy Kiko, Judge
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board