United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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A.S., Appellant and SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Detroit, MI, Employer

Docket No. 21-1305 Issued: September 29, 2021

Case Submitted on the Record

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

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

<u>Before:</u> ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Alternate Judge VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

On August 24, 2021 appellant filed an appeal from a March 12, 2010 merit decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP).¹ The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 21-1305.

The Board has duly considered the matter and notes that the Board has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.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

The 180th day following the March 12, 2010 decision was September 8, 2010. As appellant did not file an appeal with the Board until August 24, 2021, more than 180 days after the March 12,

³ *Id.* at § 501.3(e).

¹ Appellant's AB-1 form notes that she is appealing from December 18, 2007, October 2 and July 2, 2009, December 13, 2010, and April 19, 2011purported decisions. The only decision of record is the March 12, 2010 decision.

² 5 U.S.C. § 8149; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a) (2009).

2010 OWCP decision, the Board finds that the appeal docketed as No. 21-1305 is untimely filed. The Board is without jurisdiction to review the appeal. Appellant has not offered a reason to explain the failure to timely file an appeal with supporting documentation sufficient to establish compelling circumstances.

The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance."⁴

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 21-1305 is dismissed.

Issued: September 29, 2021 Washington, DC

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

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

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

⁴ *Id.* at § 501.6(d).