United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

M.C., Appellant	·))
) Docket No. 22-1217
and) Issued: December 6, 2022
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL MAIL FACILITY, Baton Rouge, LA, Employer))
Appearances: Appellant, pro se	Case Submitted on the Record
Office of Solicitor, for the Director	

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:

ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge JAMES D. McGINLEY, Alternate Judge

On August 22, 2022 appellant sought an appeal from a purported August 5, 2022 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned Docket No. 22-1217.

The Board, having duly considered the matter, notes that its jurisdiction is limited to the review of final adverse OWCP decisions issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA).¹ This jurisdiction encompasses any final decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed his appeal.² The August 5, 2022 decision was a Board decision assigned Docket No. 21-0707, which affirmed a January 19, 2021 OWCP decision.³ As there is no final

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

² 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."

³ Docket No. 21-0707 (issued August 5, 2022). To the extent that appellant's August 22, 2022 -- appeal may be construed as a timely petition for reconsideration of the Board's August 5, 2022 decision in Docket No. 21-0707, the Board will proceed to process the documents received in this appeal as a timely request for reconsideration in Docket No. 21-0707.

adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the filing of this appeal,⁴ over which the Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 22-1217 must be dismissed.⁵ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 22-1217 is dismissed.

Issued: December 6, 2022 Washington, DC

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

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

> James D. McGinley, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

⁴ *See supra* note 2.

⁵ 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).