United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

R.G., Appellant	
K.G., Appenant	
and	
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY,	
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, Fresno, CA,	
Employer	

Docket No. 24-0656 Issued: June 26, 2024

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 VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge JAMES D. McGINLEY, Alternate Judge

On June 3, 2024 appellant filed an appeal from a July 26, 2023 nonmerit decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 24-0656.

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.¹ 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.²

The 180th day following the July 26, 2023, decision was January 22, 2024. As appellant did not file an appeal with the Board until June 3, 2024, more than 180 days after the July 26, 2023 OWCP decision, the Board finds that the appeal docketed as No. 24-0656 is untimely filed. The Board is without jurisdiction to review the appeal. Appellant has not explained the failure to timely

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8101 *et seq* .; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

 $^{^{2}}$ 20 C.F.R. § 501.3(e), which provides in pertinent part: "Any notice of a ppeal must be filed within 180 days from the date of issuance of a decision of OWCP."

file an appeal with supporting documentation sufficient to establish compelling circumstances. Because there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the filing of the instant appeal, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 24-0656 must be dismissed.³ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 24-0656 is dismissed.

Issued: June 26, 2024 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

³ The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance." *Id.* at § 501.6(d).