



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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[REDACTED]
Docket No. 7200-20
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO [REDACTED]
XXX XX [REDACTED] USMCR

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552
(b) Joint Travel Regulations

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments
(2) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a) Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting, in effect, that the applicable naval record be corrected to show Petitioner was issued orders prior to 12 July 2020 and was reimbursed for a do it yourself (DITY) move.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 3 November 2020 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. In accordance with reference (b), travel and transportation allowances are payable only after valid orders are issued. The order directs travel to, from, or between official points and serves as the basis for the trip and associated reimbursements. A travel authorization or order should be issued before travel begins. Travel or expenses incurred before a travel authorization or order is issued are not reimbursable, unless otherwise stated in the JTR. In unusual or urgent situations when travel must begin before a written authorization or order can be issued, a verbal authorization may be given. In such cases, the verbal authorization must be followed up in writing (called a "confirmatory order") before allowances are paid. A travel order may only contain authority for travel and transportation allowances provided within the JTR. If there is any conflict between a travel order and the JTR, the JTR prevails.

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HHG allowances are based on the PCS order's effective date; although, the HHG may be transported as long as the HHG authority remains in effect. The weight allowance is based on the grade held on the effective date of the order authorizing the HHG transportation. See par. 051401 for a Service member reduced in grade.

c. On 12 July 2020, Petitioner's HHG were picked up by [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]

d. On 28 August 2020, Commanding General, Marine Corps Installation West-Marine Corps Base notified Petitioner via letter that Petitioner was authorized travel and transportation allowances to his home of record in connection with his release from active duty.

e. On 11 September 2020, Petitioner was issued release from active duty authorization.

f. On 1 October 2020, Petitioner certified a DD Form 2278 (Application For Do It Yourself Move And Counseling Checklist) prepared on 22 September 2020. Maximum authorized weight 8,000 lbs. with an estimated gross incentive \$4,492.64.

g. On 10 October 2020, Petitioner was honorably released from active duty.

h. On 30 October 2020, Household Goods/PPM Section, MARCORLOGCOM, Albany, GA notified Petitioner via email that it was determined that Petitioner was not entitled to a PPM claim because he moved prior to his orders.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of reference (b), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded that Petitioner's spouse and child had a family emergency and future career endeavors. The Board concluded that Petitioner was authorized travel and transportation, and movement of HHG in connection with his release from active duty.

RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner's authorization travel and transportation allowance to Petitioner's home of record in connection with his release from active duty was published on "11 July 2020" vice "28 August 2020".

Note: Petitioner is advised to submit a travel claim and all applicable supporting documents and a copy of this Board of Correction of Naval Records' grant authorization to the Marine Corps Logistics Command at logcom.tvcbclaims@usmc.mil. Furthermore, settlement of claim is chargeable to the line of accounting on the Petitioner's household travel and movement order.

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

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4. It is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)), and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

[REDACTED] 12/22/2020
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Deputy Director
Signed by: [REDACTED]