



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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RDS  
Docket No. 1053-22  
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF [REDACTED], USNR,  
[REDACTED]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) The Joint Travel Regulations (JTR) 2021

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 the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting that his naval record be corrected to show Petitioner was reimbursed for a personally procured move (PPM).

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 21 April 2022 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. On 10 August 2021, [REDACTED], Inc. weighmaster certificate was issued at [REDACTED] with tare weight of 3,080 lbs.

c. On 27 August 2021, [REDACTED], Inc. weighmaster certificate was issued at [REDACTED] with gross weight of 3,700 lbs.

d. On 30 August 2021, Petitioner was charged with regular leave for the period of 26 August 2021 to 27 August 2021 (2 days).

e. On 23 September 2021, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: 2661) while stationed in [REDACTED] with an effective date of departure of September 2021.

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Petitioner's place elected for travel was [REDACTED] with an effective date of separation 27 September 2021.

f. On 27 September 2021, Petitioner was honorably released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve upon completion of required active service.

g. On 14 October 2021, Petitioner's Application for Personally Procured Move and Counseling Checklist (DD Form 2278) was created listing a move from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] with a maximum authorized weight of 7,000 lbs. and Estimated Constructive Costs of \$987.58. It was certified by both Petitioner and counselor on 14 October 2021.

h. On 18 October 2021, Petitioner was charged with terminal leave for the period of 30 August 2021 to 27 September 2021 (29 days).

i. On 10 January 2022, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Norfolk notified Petitioner that Paragraph 051302 A of the Joint Travel Regulation states that transportation of household goods (HHG) at government expenses prior to the issuance of permanent change of station orders is not authorized. Exception is made when the order issuing authority (Navy Military Personnel Command) or member designated representative provides a written statement that orders are forthcoming and shipment may be prior to the official issuance of orders.

A review of the documentation supporting the claim shows that Petitioner initiated shipment of his HHG on 10 August 2021 prior to the 23 September 2021 issue date of his orders. Since shipment was made prior to the issuance of orders, this office has no legal basis to permit payment of Petitioner's claim.

## CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded per reference (b)<sup>1</sup> HHG allowances are based on the when orders are effective and certain criteria must be met in order to execute HHG transportation before an order is issued. Petitioner's completion of required active service was 27 September 2021, therefore, Petitioner had reason to believe that separation orders would be forthcoming.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with reference (b), HHG allowances are based on the permanent change of station (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. HHG transportation before a PCS order is issued is authorized if the request for transportation is supported by all of the following: a. A statement from the authorizing/Order-Issuing Official (AO) or designated representative that the Service member was advised before such an order was issued that it would be issued. b. A written agreement, signed by the applicant, to pay any additional costs incurred for transportation to another point required because the new permanent duty station (PDS) named in the order is different than that named in the AO's statement. c. A written agreement, signed by the applicant, to pay the entire transportation cost if a PCS order is not later issued to authorize the transportation.

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Petitioner's official separation orders (BUPERS order: 2661) were issued on "9 August 2021" vice "23 September 2021."

Note: Petitioner will submit a copy of the Board's approval letter to the Navy Household Goods Audit Team with all appropriate HHG documentation and orders to settle his claim. Settlement of move charged against Petitioner's BUPERS order: 2661.

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

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.

5/18/2022

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Deputy Director

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