



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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[REDACTED]  
Docket No. 8882-22  
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO [REDACTED], USN RET,  
XXX-XX-[REDACTED]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) The Joint Travel Regulation (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 his Personally Procured Move (PPM).

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 22 December 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. On 22 January 2021 (10:58), Certified Automated Truck Scale receipt was issued at [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with gross weight of 22,640 lbs. On 6 February 2021 (07:29), [REDACTED] issued a scale receipt at [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with gross weight of 28,500 lbs.

b. On 12 February 2021, Petitioner was issued official retirement orders (BUPERS order: [REDACTED]) while stationed in [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with an effective date of departure of July 2021. Petitioner was to proceed to home of selection.

c. On 4 May 2021, Petitioner was issued official modification to retirement orders (BUPERS order: [REDACTED]) while stationed in [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with an effective date of departure of July 2021. Petitioner was to proceed to home of selection.

d. On 4 June 2021, Petitioner signed Application for Personally Procured Move and Counseling Checklist (DD Form 2278) listing a PPM move authorized from [REDACTED], [REDACTED] to

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[REDACTED] with a maximum authorized weight of unknown lbs. and Estimated Constructive Costs of \$0.00. Counselor did not sign the form.

e. Petitioner Retired with an Honorable character of service and was issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 12 May 2000 to 31 July 2021 for having sufficient service for retirement.

f. On 25 February 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 22 January 2021 prior to the 12 February 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 reference (b)<sup>1</sup> and enclosure (2), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded that per reference (b), HHG allowances are based on when orders are effective and certain criteria must be met in order to execute HHG transportation before an order is issued. The Board was unable to determine the date Petitioner's retirement request was approved. However, based on the fact that Petitioner initiated his move just a few weeks prior to the issuance of his orders, the Board agreed that Petitioner had reason to believe that his official retirement orders would be forthcoming.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official retirement orders (BUPERS order: [REDACTED]) were issued on "1 January 2021" vice "12 February 2021".

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<sup>1</sup> Reference (b), household goods (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 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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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.

1/9/2023

