



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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[REDACTED]  
Docket No. 9478-22  
Ref: Signature Date

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

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

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) The Joint Travel Regulations (JTR) 2022

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 10 January 2023 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 1 August 2022 (07:05) Certified Automated Truck Scale receipt was issued at [REDACTED] with gross weight of 20,900 lbs., and on 4 August 2022 (17:20), Certified Automated Truck Scale receipt was issued at [REDACTED] with gross weight of 23,340 lbs.

b. On 18 August 2022 [REDACTED] issued Petitioner a change order confirmation with an original order date of 8 July 2022. Deliver to customer on 1 August 2022 and redeliver to customer on 16 August 2022.

c. Petitioner was released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve from active duty 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 28 November 2017 to 30 August 2022 in order to attend civilian school.

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d. On 12 October 2022, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: 2852) while stationed in [REDACTED] with an effective date of departure of August 2022. Petitioner's place elected for travel was [REDACTED] with an effective date of 13 October 2022.

e. On 4 November 2022, [REDACTED] 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 1 August 2022 prior to the 12 October 2022 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.

If Petitioner wished to appeal this decision, he may file an application with the Board for Correction of Naval Records, Washington, DC for their review and recommendation. If they rule in Petitioner's favor, the claim will be re-audited.

## 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 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. Petitioner was preparing to separate from active duty to attend civilian school; therefore, Petitioner had reason to believe that official separation orders would be forthcoming. Furthermore, Petitioner was separated on 30 August 2022, however, his official separation orders were not issued until 12 October 2022.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official separation orders (BUPERS order: 2852) were issued on "7 July 2022" vice "12 October 2022."

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<sup>1</sup> 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 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.

1/17/2023

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Deputy Director  
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