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> Docket No. 9006-23 Ref: Signature Date

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- From:Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval RecordsTo:Secretary of the Navy
- Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO
- Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552 (b) The 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 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 **Construction**, **Construction**, and **Construction** reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 21 December 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. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. On 3 August 2023, U-Haul (Equipment Contract) issued Petitioner equipment contract receipt for total rental charges of \$387.20.

b. On 21 August 2023, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order:) while stationed in the with an effective date of departure of September 2023. Petitioner's place elected for travel was the with an effective date of 5 September 2023.

c. Petitioner was released from active duty and transferred to the Naval Reserve with an honorable character of service and was issued a DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty for the period of 6 September 2017 to 5 September 2023 upon completion of required active service.

d. On 25 September 2023, Petitioner was charged terminal leave for the period of 7 August 2023 to 5 September 2023 (30 days).

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e. On 5 December 2023, 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 you initiated shipment of your HHG on 3 August 2023 prior to the 21 August 2023 issue date of your orders. Since shipment was made prior to the issuance of orders, this office has no legal basis to permit payment of your 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) 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 was preparing to separate upon completion of required active service, therefore Petitioner had reason to believe that official separation orders would be forthcoming. Furthermore, Petitioner's official separation orders were issued approximately 2 weeks after he began terminal leave and only 15 days prior to his separation.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official separation orders (BUPERS order:) were issued on "2 August 2023" vice "21 August 2023."

That 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.

