

Docket No. 1361-24 Ref: Signature Date

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

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

2. The Board, consisting of **Sector 20** February 2024 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 24 August 2022, U-Haul issued Petitioner a receipt for total rental charges of \$351.80.

b. Petitioner submitted a Leave Request/Authorization (NAVCOMPT Form 3065) requesting separation leave for the period of 1 October 2022 to 29 November 2022. Petitioner's request was approved on 5 October 2022.

c. Petitioner was discharged 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 3 January 2013 to 29 November 2022 upon completion of required active service.

d. On 13 April 2023, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: 1033) while stationed in **Sector 100** with an effective date of departure of October 2023. Petitioner's place elected for travel: **Sector** with an actual date of separation of 29 November 2022. Orders also list effective date of separation of 20 April 2023.

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e. On 12 February 2024, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center **Mathematical** 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 24 Sep 2022 prior to the 13 April 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 reference (b) 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 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 from the Navy upon completion of required active service, therefore Petitioner had reason to believe that official separation orders would be forthcoming. Furthermore, Petitioner was not issued orders until 4 months after his separation.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official separation orders (BUPERS order: 1033) were issued on "24 August 2022" vice "13 April 2023."

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.

2/27/2024