



January 2024, and if you had followed the instructions within the orders, you would have been aware immediately that your dependents no fee passports would not meet the requirements listed in the Foreign Clearance Guide. The earliest evidence that passports were an issue was on 10 April 2024, three months after orders issuance and your decision to fly separately from your dependents appears to have been made two days later. You then waited until your detachment month, almost two months later, to arrange transportation for your dependents. The Board determined that in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations, a Service member or dependent(s) who for personal reasons, uses a transportation mode other than the mode directed is not reimbursed for transportation costs, therefore you are not entitled to reimbursement for your self-procured commercial airfare for your dependents. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

12/6/2024

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