



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 9604-24  
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO FORMER MEMBER ██████████.  
██████████, USN, XXX-XX-██████████

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 that he was eligible to be reimbursed for a personally procured move (PPM).

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 4 March 2025 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. In accordance with reference (b) Section 051302. Effect of an Order Issuance on HHG Transportation. A. Impact of Order Effective Date. HHG allowances are based on the 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. See par. 051401 for a Service member reduced in pay grade. B. HHG Transportation before an Order Is Issued. 1. 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 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 PDS 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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b. On 27 December 2023, [REDACTED], LLC issued Petitioner an Onsite new Binding Estimate for \$11,398.22.

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 31 August 2007 to 29 December 2023 for Disability, Severance Pay, Non-combat related IDES. Authorized official signed on 11 December 2023.

d. On 11 January 2024, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: [REDACTED]) while stationed in [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with an effective date of departure of December 2023. Place elected for travel: [REDACTED], [REDACTED] with an actual date of separation of 12 January 2024.

e. On 28 February 2025, NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Norfolk notified the Board that Petitioner's denial letter listing the following: "051302 A of the Joint Travel Regulation states that transportation of HHGs at government expenses prior to issuance of permanent change of station orders is not authorized. Exception is made when the order issuing (Navy Military Personnel Command) or member designated representative provides a written statement that 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 HHGs on 27 January 2023 prior to the 11 January 2024 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 error 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 be discharged due to Disability, Severance Pay, Non-Combat Related IDES, therefore Petitioner had reason to believe that official separation orders would be forthcoming. Additionally, Petitioner was not issued his official separation orders until after his separation.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official separation orders (BUPERS order: [REDACTED]) were issued on 26 December 2023 vice 11 January 2024.

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 titled matter.

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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.

3/7/2025

