

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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> Docket No. 4128-25 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD USN,

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 his Personally Procured Move (PPM).
- 2. The Board, consisting of reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 2 September 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. On 11 March 2024, Petitioner's child was born.
- b. On 26 April 2024, Commander, Navy Personnel Command notified Petitioner that "Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Orders are being prepared to transfer you in May 2024 from to in This letter is provided to facilitate timely arrangement of some administrative and personal requirements associated with your move. Specifically, this letter allows you (or your current command) to initiate Overseas Screening, Passports, Dependent Entry Approval, Security Clearance requests, etc. as needed. You may also use this letter to notify housing and childcare facilities at your ultimate duty station of your pending arrival; however, your position on associated waiting lists is subject to the appropriate local guidance. This planned assignment is subject to change; therefore, you should not make any irrevocable commitments prior to your receipt of official PCS orders.

j. On 31 March 2025, ______ informed the Board that Petitioner was notified by _____ with the following: "Paragraph 051302 A of the Joint Travel Regulation states that transportation of _____ 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 on 17 May 2024 prior to the 23 May 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 injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded that per reference (b), 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. The Board concluded that on 26 April 2024, Petitioner was notified in writing that PCS Orders were being prepared to transfer him in May 2024 from

therefore, Petitioner had reason to believe that orders would be forthcoming. Furthermore, although that letter itself did not authorize transportation prior to the issuance of orders, the Board determined that Petitioner's PCS orders were issued just 1 day prior to the his detachment date, which was an extremely short period of time to allow a move of his dependents, to include a 2 month old infant, to be settled before Petitioner began to attend approximately 5 months of temporary duty before reporting to the ultimate duty station. Therefore, relief is warranted.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's official change duty orders (BUPERS order: 1444) were issued on 16 May 2024 vice 23 May 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.
- 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.

