

**United States Department of Labor  
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board**

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| In the Matter of D.I., Appellant | ) |                          |
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| and                              | ) | Docket No. 19-0534       |
|                                  | ) | Issued: October 30, 2023 |
| SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,   | ) |                          |
| King of Prussia, PA, Employer    | ) |                          |
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*Appearances:*  
Thomas R. Uliase, Esq., for the appellant  
Office of Solicitor, for the Director

*Case Submitted on the Record*

**ORDER GRANTING FEE PETITION**

Before:  
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge  
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge  
JAMES D. MCGINLEY, Alternate Judge

Counsel for appellant has filed a fee petition in the amount of \$2,595.00.<sup>1</sup> The Board notes that all petitions for approval of fees for representatives' services are considered under the Board's statutory authority found at section 8127 of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act<sup>2</sup> (FECA) and under its *Rules of Procedure* found at 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).<sup>3</sup>

As required by the Board's regulations, appellant has been afforded written notice of the fee requested and provided an opportunity to comment on the fee petition.<sup>4</sup> Attached to the fee petition is a signed acknowledgement by appellant consenting to the fee in the amount of \$2,595.00.

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<sup>1</sup> FECA (5 U.S.C. § 8127(b)) and its implementing regulations (20 C.F.R. § 501.9) require the Board to review each fee petition on its own merits and with regard to the unique facts and issues of each appeal.

<sup>2</sup> 5 U.S.C. § 8127.

<sup>3</sup> 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

The Board has reviewed the fee petition and finds it is in compliance with the Board's *Rules of Procedure*.<sup>5</sup>

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** that the fee petition is granted in the amount of \$2,595.00.

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<sup>5</sup> *Id.*