

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

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In the Matter of M.H., widow of W.H., Appellant)	
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and)	Docket No. 20-1140
)	Issued: October 27, 2023
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, NATIONAL)	
SECURITY AGENCY, Fort Meade, MD,)	
Employer)	
_____)	

Appearances:
Daniel M. Goodkin, Esq., for the appellant
Office of Solicitor, for the Director

Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER GRANTING FEE PETITION

Before:
ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

Counsel for appellant has filed a fee petition in the amount of \$1,673.50.¹ 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 Act² (FECA) and under its *Rules of Procedure* found at 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).³

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.⁴ Attached to the fee petition is a signed acknowledgement by appellant consenting to the fee in the amount of \$1,673.50.

¹ 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.

² 5 U.S.C. § 8127.

³ 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).

⁴ *Id.*

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the fee petition is granted in the amount of \$1,673.50.

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⁵ *Id.*