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

In the Matter of R.B., Appellant and DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Egg Harbor Township, N.I.	) ) ) ) ) ) )	Docket Nos. 18-0048; 15-0577; 11-1320 Issued: April 25, 2025
ADMINISTRATION, Egg Harbor Township, NJ, Employer	)	
Appearances: Russell T. Uliase, Esq., for the appellant		Case Submitted on the Record

## **ORDER GRANTING FEE PETITION**

Before:
PATRICIA H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Chief Judge
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge

Counsel for appellant has filed a fee petition in the amount of \$4,847.74.¹ The Board notes that all petitions for approval of fees for representative's 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

On October 25, 2022 counsel provided a fee petition and statement of services performed before the Board, requesting approval of fees totaling \$4,847.74. By order dated May 1, 2024, the Board denied the fee petition, as the itemized statement of services did not distinguish between the services performed in connection with each ECAB appeal. Counsel was afforded 60 days to submit a revised petition. On May 31, 2024 counsel provided a revised fee petition and statement of services, again requesting approval of fees totaling \$4,847.74, but identifying the appropriate appeal for the listed services. As required by the Board's regulations, appellant has been afforded

Office of Solicitor, for the Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FECA (5 U.S.C. § 8127(b)), and its implementing regulation (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>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 5 U.S.C. § 8127.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).

written notice of the fee requested and provided an opportunity to comment on the fee petition.<sup>4</sup> No response was received.

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

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** the fee petition is granted in the amount of \$4,847.74.

Issued: April 25, 2025 Washington, DC

Patricia H. Fitzgerald, Deputy Chief Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Janice B. Askin, Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 20 C.F.R. § 501.9(e).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> *Id*.