United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

R.H., claiming as widow of S.H., Appellant))
and) Docket No. 23-0120) Issued: April 28, 2025
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, U.S. BORDER PATROL, El Paso, TX, Employer	
Appearances: Daniel M. Goodkin, Esq., for the appellant	Case Submitted on the Record
Office of Solicitor, for the Director	

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 \$4,256.00.¹ 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 was a signed acknowledgement by appellant consenting to the fee in the amount of \$4,256.00.

¹ 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.

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 \$4,256.00.

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> Alec J. Koromilas, Chief Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

> Janice B. Askin, Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

> Valerie D. Evans-Harrell, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

⁵ *Id*.