

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

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In the Matter of D.H., Appellant)	
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and)	
)	Docket No. 19-0633
)	Issued: March 15, 2024
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL)	
& PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE,)	
Raleigh, NC, Employer)	
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Appearances:
Daniel F. Read, 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
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge

Counsel for appellant has filed a fee petition in the amount of \$650.00.¹ 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 Act,² (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 \$650.00.

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 \$650.00.

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Washington, DC

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

Janice B. Askin, Judge
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⁵ *Id.*