October 9, 2009

CBCA 1746-TRAV

In the Matter of STANLEY J. CIESLEWICZ

Stanley J. Cieslewicz, APO Area Europe, Claimant.

Lesley Pratt, Department of the Army, APO Area Europe, appearing for Department of the Army.

GOODMAN, Board Judge.

Claimant, Stanley J. Cieslewicz, is a civilian employee of the Department of Defense. He seeks restoration of one day of annual leave because the agency denied a second day of "leave-free" travel during his Renewal Travel from his duty station in Heidelberg, Germany, for home leave to Seattle, Washington, in August and September, 2009.

The jurisdiction of this Board includes the resolution of claims for reimbursement of expenses incurred while on official temporary duty travel. Rule 401 (48 CFR 6104.401 (2008)); 31 U.S.C. § 3702 (2006). In this case, claimant does not seek reimbursement of expenses, but re-categorization of leave. One of our predecessor boards has held that we do not have authority to settle a claim regarding the re-categorization of leave, as such a claim involves an employee's "compensation and leave" and is therefore within the purview of the Director of the Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Raymond A. Martin, GSBCA 15559-RELO, 01-1 BCA ¶ 31,402.

This case is dismissed and transferred to OPM for resolution.

ALLAN H. GOODMAN

Board Judge