



UNITED STATES  
CIVILIAN BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS

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April 5, 2023

CBCA 7655-DBT

In the Matter of DANIELLE L.

Danielle L., Petitioner.

Kimberly I. Thayer, Office of General Counsel, National Tort Claims Center, General Services Administration, Washington, DC, appearing for General Services Administration.

**VERGILIO**, Board Judge.

The General Services Administration (agency) has determined that the petitioner is liable for the payment of a debt arising from an automobile accident involving an agency vehicle. The agency instituted administrative wage garnishment to withhold \$30.11 per pay period. It appears that the petitioner does not dispute the existence or amount of the debt (in excess of \$14,000 in August 2022). However, the petitioner seemingly maintains that the proposed garnishment would cause financial hardship. This proceeding occurs pursuant to regulation. 41 CFR 105-57 (2021).

The petitioner has not appeared at scheduled conferences or substantively responded to agency attempts to resolve matters and has not provided information that might update income or debts at this point in time. Information in the record is several months old.

Given the petitioner's lack of input concerning existing circumstances, the record fails to support a finding that the petitioner faces financial hardship with the Government garnishing the withholding amount from petitioner's paycheck. The garnished amount is appropriate for the Government to collect.

Joseph A. Vergilio  
JOSEPH A. VERGILIO  
Board Judge