



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
2 NAVY ANNEX  
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

JSR

Docket No: 6506-09

30 July 2009

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records  
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: ~~REDACTED~~  
REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 dtd 17 Jun 09 w/attachments  
(2) HQMC MMOA-4 memo dtd 24 Jul 09  
(3) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed written application, enclosure (1), with this Board requesting, in effect, that his naval record be corrected by removing his failure of selection by the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Lieutenant Colonel Selection Board, so as to be considered by the selection board next convened to consider officers of his category for promotion to lieutenant colonel as an officer who has not failed of selection for promotion to that grade.

2. The Board, consisting of Messrs. Chapman, Fales and Leeman, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 30 July 2009, and pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, naval records, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies which were available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Petitioner's record before the FY 2010 Lieutenant Colonel Selection Board included two fitness reports with incorrect dates, causing his Master Brief Sheet to give the

appearance he had a 13-month date gap. He did not discover this error in his record until his briefing with a career counselor, conducted after he had failed of selection.

c. In correspondence at enclosure (2), the Headquarters Marine Corps office with cognizance over the subject matter of Petitioner's case has commented to the effect his request has merit and warrants favorable action, as the apparent date gap could have harmed his competitiveness for promotion.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of enclosure (2), the Board finds an injustice warranting the requested relief. The Board concludes Petitioner should be excused for his failure to discover and take action to correct the error in his record before his consideration for promotion. In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

RECOMMENDATION:

a. That Petitioner's naval record be corrected so that he will be considered by the earliest possible selection board convened to consider officers of his category for promotion to lieutenant colonel as an officer who has not failed of selection for promotion to that grade.

b. That any material or entries inconsistent with or relating to the Board's recommendation be corrected, removed or completely expunged from Petitioner's record and that no such entries be added to the record in the future.

c. That any material directed to be removed from Petitioner's naval record be returned to the Board, together with a copy of this Report of Proceedings, for retention in a confidential file maintained for such purpose, with no cross reference being made a part of Petitioner's naval record.

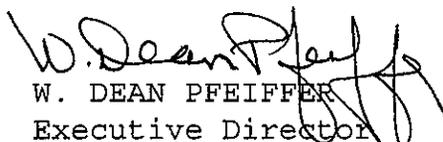
4. Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(c)) it is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the

foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above entitled matter.

ROBERT D. ZSALMAN  
Recorder

  
JONATHAN S. RUSKIN  
Acting Recorder

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 732.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

  
W. DEAN PFEIFFER  
Executive Director