



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 7254-16

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

Subj: REVIEW NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER [REDACTED]
USMC, XXX-XX-[REDACTED]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. §1552
(b) SECNAVINST 5420.193 Series

Encl: (1) DD Form 149
(2) Case summary
(3) NAVMC118 page 11 form of 11 Jul 69

1. Pursuant to the provisions of references (a) and (b), Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting a change to Petitioner's naval record, specifically, to correct the record to reflect adding Petitioner's Honorable character of service on his DD214. Enclosures (1) through (3) apply.
2. The Board reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 14 July 2017 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 your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of your naval record 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 available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.
 - b. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, it is in the interest of justice to waive the statute limitation and review the application on its merits.
 - c. Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 3 October 1966. He was honorably released from active duty on 11 July 1969, at the expiration of his active obligated service.
 - d. At the time of Petitioner's release from active duty, he was issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) leaving blank his honorable characterization of service on block 13a.

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CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants favorable action. The Board notes that Petitioner's record showed a NAVMC118 page 11 form reflecting that the Petitioner was being discharged due to a disability with an Honorable characterization of service. His final conduct marks were 4.7. In accordance with the foregoing, the Board concluded that the record should be corrected by the issuance of a new DD Form 214, and that the Petitioner should be issued the same. See enclosures (3).

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner's naval record, specifically, Block 24 of the DD Form 214, be corrected to reflect that the Petitioner separated with an **"Honorable"** character of service.

That Petitioner be issued a new Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active duty (DD Form 214) which reflects the Petitioner's corrected character of service.

That no further changes be made to the record.

That a copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

That upon request, the Department of Veterans Affairs be informed that Petitioner's application was received on 9 August 2016.

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.

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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 723.6(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.

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Executive Director