

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

> Docket No: 1576-21 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER,

USN, XXX-XX

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments

(2) Case summary

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting his naval record be corrected to upgrade his characterization to honorable, removal of his separation reason which reflects personality disorder, and removal of his reason for separation which reflects void.
- 2. The Board consisting of allegations, and policies, allegations of error and injustice on 14 April 2021 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include the 25 July 2018 guidance from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness regarding equity, injustice or clemency determinations (Wilkie Memo).
- 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 review the application on its merits.
- c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy on 29 September 1998. On 8 February 1999, Petitioner underwent a psychological evaluation as a result of suicidal ideations. Petitioner was diagnosed with occupational problems, adjustment disorder with depressed mood. On 9 February 1999, 133 days from his initial entry, he was notified of the initiation of administrative separation proceedings by reason of convenience of the government due to personality disorder. After he waived his procedural rights, the commanding officer recommended administrative separation by

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reason of convenience of the government with an uncharacterized character of service. On 4 March 1999, Petitioner was discharged by reason of convenience of the government due to personality disorder.

## CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes Petitioner's request warrants partial relief. The determined no error on injustice in the Petitioner's characterization of service or reason.

Notwithstanding, in light of the potential for future negative implications, the Board determined Petitioner's narrative reason for separation should be changed to "secretarial authority."

## RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action: the narrative reason for separation as "secretarial authority," separation code as "JFF," and separation authority as "MILPERSMAN 1910-164."

Petitioner be issued a new DD Form 214 which list the narrative reason for separation as "secretarial authority," separation code as "JFF," and separation authority as "MILPERSMAN 1910-164."

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

4. 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.

