



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
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Docket No: 3312-21

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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  
(3) Advisory Opinion, NDBDM/093-21 of 27 Aug 21

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner, a former enlisted Sailor, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) requesting correction of his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) to reflect his entitlement to the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and Korea Defense Service Medal awards.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 5 November 2021, and, pursuant to its regulations, determined the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. The Board considered documentary material consisting of the enclosures, his relevant naval service records, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, as well as the Advisory Opinion (AO) from the Navy Department Board of Decorations and Medals (NDBDM).

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 served honorably in the Navy from 27 October 1978 to 29 November 1982. Petitioner's DD Form 214 for his enlistment reflected the following awards: Battle "E" Ribbon.

d. The NDBDM reviewed Petitioner's record and determined he was entitled to the following award not currently listed in his DD Form 214: Sea Service Deployment Ribbon. Petitioner's

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record reflects more than 12 months of cumulative sea duty aboard the [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]), which included a deployment of more than 90 consecutive days.

e. The NDBDM AO states that Petitioner failed to establish his entitlement to the Korea Defense Service Medal. Although Petitioner's record shows that he served aboard the [REDACTED] while it participated in Exercise [REDACTED] in October 1982, Petitioner failed to present any evidence that he served for 30 consecutive or 60 nonconsecutive days within the [REDACTED] Area of Eligibility (AOE).

#### CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record, the Board determined Petitioner's request warrants partial relief.

The Board determined Petitioner is entitled to wear the following awards: Battle "E" Ribbon, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

The Board, having reviewed enclosure (2) and concurring with enclosure (3), determined the Petitioner met the requirements for the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon but did not meet the requirements for the Korea Defense Service Medal. Specifically, although Petitioner's record supports that he was aboard the [REDACTED] during its participation in [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] AOE during October 1982, his record does not establish the exact dates of the exercise or whether the ship remained in the AOE for the requisite period, nor did Petitioner provide any external documentation, such as archival records of ship history or command operational reports, to confirm the location of the ship on specific dates.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), to indicate the addition of the following award: Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

No further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

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.

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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 Regulation, 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.

11/15/2021

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Executive Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]