



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 3591-21
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear █

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. Consequently, your application has been denied.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 6 January 2022. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Bureau of Naval Personnel memorandum 0723 of 29 September 2021; a copy of which was previously provided to you for comment.

The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

In accordance with DoD 7000.14-R FMR Volume 7A, Chapter 66, The Secretary of the Military Department concerned was required to notify all members with a Date of Initial Entry to Military/Uniformed Service (DIEMS)/Date Initial Entry Uniformed Service (DIEUS) between August 1, 1986 and December 31, 2002, whether they were eligible to make a Career Status Bonus (CSB)/REDUX election. Notification letters were to be sent on or shortly before the date individuals completed 14 years and 6 months of Active Duty (AD). If a member was not eligible for the CSB/REDUX election, then the notification was to explain why, and inform the member whether, there was an opportunity to make an election in the future under exceptions established in guidance promulgated by the Secretary of the Military Department concerned if the member's impediment to eligibility was subsequently eliminated. The Secretary of the Military

Department concerned promptly notified members who subsequently became eligible to make a CSB election. Effective July 1, 2017, letters notifying members serving on AD of their eligibility to make a CSB election were discontinued.

To make a CSB/REDUX election, a member was required to submit a DoD (DD) Form 2839, CSB Election Form or Service equivalent form, and any other Service required forms as directed in the eligibility notification no later than the date the member attained 15 years of active military service or 6 months after the eligibility notification was sent, whichever was later. After December 31, 2017, CSB could not be elected.

On 13 March 1998, you enlisted in the Naval Reserve for 8 years. Currently, your Pay Entry Base Date (PEBD) is 6 February 1999 and Active Duty Base Date (ADB) is 27 January 2004.

You requested approval for REDUX/ CSB; the Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, the Board concluded that you did not attain 15 years of active service until 27 January 2019 and you could not have elected CSB after 31 December 2017; therefore, you are ineligible to elect CSB. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

2/10/2022

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Deputy Director

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