



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No. 6262-21
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 insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. Consequently, your application has been denied.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 9 December 2021. 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.

On 10 March 1951, you reenlisted for 4 years. On 1 June 1953, you were advanced to HN. On 29 January 1954, you were recommended for advancement to pay grade E-4, were eligible in all respects, all practical factors have been completed, and you were nominated to compete in service-wide competitive examinations. On 9 February 1954, you took the examination for advancement to HM3 and scored a final multiple of 110.00 and you were recommended for advancement in rating to HM3. On 18 May 1954, your advancement to pay grade was not authorized due to quota limitations (U.S. Naval Examining Center Advancement Authorization letter number 1-54 Serial 5490 dated 23 April 1954). On 29 May 1954, you were released from active duty and transferred to the inactive reserve. On 9 March 1955, you were honorably discharged as an HN from the U.S. Naval Reserve by reason of Expiration of Enlistment.

You requested that your record reflect that you were advanced to HM3. 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 even though your Report of Examination of February 1954 reflected a final multiple score was 110.00 with a recommendation of advancement, the U.S. Navy had quota limitations preventing advancement in May of 1954. Unfortunately, due to needs of the Service, qualified Sailors like yourself were not advanced.

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,

1/12/2022

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Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]