



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

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Docket No. 6642-21
Ref: Signature Date

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.

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.

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.

You requested Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) at your previous CONUS permanent duty station (PDS) based on the provisions of a Close Proximity Move. 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 per NAVADMIN 101/10 and DoD 7000.14-R there is no provision of close proximity in your PCS assignment. Ordinarily a housing allowance is based on the service member's PDS, or the home port for a service member assigned to a ship or afloat unit. However, the service may determine that a service member's assignment to a PDS, or the circumstances of that assignment, requires a dependent to reside separately. Authorization or approval of a housing allowance based on the dependent's location or old PDS is through the Service Secretary or through the Secretarial process. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred that no evidence existed for you and your dependents to reside separately, or that precludes the execution of a household goods move in the direct vicinity of your PDS.

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,

2/14/2022

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Deputy Director

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