

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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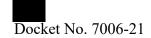
Dear ,

This is in reference to your application for correction of your fathers; a former member of the United States Navy Reserve, naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your father's 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 14 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 2 April 1945, your father entered the United States Army. On 22 December 1946, he was discharged from the Army. On 20 September 1950, he enlisted into the Marine Corps Reserve and entered active duty. On 21 May 1951, he was advanced to Corporal/E-4. On 27 August 1951, he took the General Military Skills Test (GMST) for the rank of Sergeant. On 14 November 1951, he was released to inactive duty. On 19 September 1958, he was discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve.

You requested to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant/E-5. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board agreed that even though he took the GMST for the rank of Sergeant, there is no proof of being selected for promotion to Sergeant. In accordance with the Marine Corps promotions manual of 1956, promotions to Sergeant are considered by a noncommissioned officer promotion board convened at headquarters. In addition, due to no evidence of the requirement to be promoted to Sergeant by passing the GMST or the minimum score required, the Board found no evidence to warrant a change to the record.



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.

