



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No: 1689-22  
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records  
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER ██████████  
██████████ XXX-XX-██████████ USMC

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting that his naval record be corrected to reflect the dates of his first enlistment, his service in the Republic of Vietnam, and the medals and ribbons he was awarded in support thereof, on his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214).

2. The Board, consisting of Ms. ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 8 April 2022 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include the 25 July 2018 guidance from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness regarding equity, injustice, or clemency determinations (Wilkie Memo).

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. Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 15 July 1968.

c. Petitioner participated in several operations in the Republic of Vietnam from 12 January 1969 to 27 December 1969.

d. Petitioner completed his first enlistment on 5 August 1971 and was discharged with an Honorable characterization of service; however was not issued a DD Form 214 for this period of active duty.

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- e. Petitioner reenlisted and began his second period of active duty on 6 August 1971.
- f. Petitioner participated in operations in the contiguous water of the Republic of Vietnam with [REDACTED] from 23 April 1975 to 02 May 1975.
- g. Petitioner completed his second enlistment on 5 August 1977 and was discharged with an Honorable characterization of service.
- h. Petitioner's DD Form 214 indicates the date Petitioner entered active duty was 6 August 1971 and the date of discharge was 5 August 1977.
- i. The "combat history, expeditions, awards record" in Petitioner's service record reflects the decorations, medals, badges, commendations, citations and campaign ribbons (collectively referred to as "decorations") awarded to him or that he is authorized to wear.
- j. On 24 June 2014, Navy Personnel Command (NPC) conducted a review of Petitioner's record and determined the awards to which Petitioner is entitled.

#### CONCLUSION:

In accordance with reference (b), the Board considered the totality of the circumstances to determine whether relief is warranted in the interests of justice. Upon careful review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes Petitioner's request warrants relief and that he should be issued a DD Form 214 that reflects his dates of service for his first enlistment.

In review of this case, the Board confirmed the dates of Petitioner's first enlistment. The Board further determined the dates that Petitioner served in the Republic of Vietnam and noted that Petitioner provided a document indicating NPC conducted a review of his record on 24 June 2014 and determined the awards to which Petitioner is entitled.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a DD Form 214 reflecting his service from 15 July 1968 to 5 August 1977, his service in the Republic of Vietnam, and all decorations awarded to him or that he is authorized to wear.

That Petitioner be issued an Honorable Discharge Certificate for his first enlistment period.

That no further corrective action should be taken.

That a copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

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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.

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.

4/28/2022

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Executive Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]