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

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Docket No. 3292-22
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear [redacted],

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 19 May 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.

You requested advancement to Sonar Technician Second Class (STG2)/E-5 effective 1966. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that you enlisted in the U.S. Navy on 25 September 1963 for a term of 6 years and entered active duty. On 16 November 1965, you advanced to Sonar Technician Third Class/E-4. Subsequently, you were released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve on 13 January 1967. On 24 September 1969, you honorably discharged from service at the end of your contract. However, the Board could not find, nor did you provide evidence of your participation in a Navy Wide Advancement Exam (NWAE) for STG2/E-5 or results of a NWAE indicating your selection to STG2/E-5, thereby ineligible for advancement.

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,

6/7/2022

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