

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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> Docket No: 4132-22 Ref: Signature date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER

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Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments

(2) Case summary

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting addition of the following awards: Presidential Unit Citation, Korean Service Medal, Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, United Nations Service Medal, and Korean Defense Service Medal. Enclosure (2) applies.
- 2. The Board, consisting of period of the period of the evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of his naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, policies.
- 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. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, it is in the interest of justice to review the application on its merits.
- c. Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 23 September 1953. He was deployed in support of UN positions in from 18 August 1954 to 22 February 1955. On 22 September 1957, Petitioner was honorably discharged.
- d. Upon his discharge, Petitioner was issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214) indicating the following awards: National Defense Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal.

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- e. On 17 October 2019, Navy Personnel Command PERS-312 completed a review of the Petitioner's records and determined that he was entitled to the following awards: Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and the Honorable Discharge Service Button.
- f. On 6 July 2022, Headquarters Marine Corps MMMA-3A completed a review of Petitioner's record and provided an Advisory Opinion (AO) which determined the former member is entitled to the following awards: the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korea Defense Service Medal, the Rifle Marksman Badge, and the Pistol Expert Badge.
- g. Petitioner contends his DD Form 214 erroneously indicates that he only entitled to the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. Petitioner claims he is entitled to the Presidential Unit Citation, the Korean Service Medal, the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, the United Nations Service Medal, and the Korean Defense Service Medal

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record, the Board determined Petitioner's request warrants partial relief.

The Board concurred with the Headquarters Marine Corps MMMA-3A Advisory Opinion (AO) dated 6 July 2022. In light of the MMMA-3A AO, the Board determined, in addition to the awards already notated on his DD Form 214, Petitioner is entitled to the following additional awards: Korea Defense Service Medal, Rifle Marksman Badge, and the Pistol Expert Badge. The Board also concurred with the Headquarters Marine Corps MMMA-3A AO that insufficient evidence exists to substantiate Petitioner's entitlement to the other requested awards.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a new DD Form 214 indicating the additional awards of the Korea Defense Service Medal, the Rifle Marksman Badge, and the Pistol Expert Badge.

No further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

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

- 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

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corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

	9/29/2022
Executive Director	
Signed by:	