



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

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Docket No. 4575-22  
Ref: Signature Date

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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 27 October 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion by Navy Personnel Command letter 5730 PERS-91 of 6 October 2022 and your response to the opinion.

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 that your service performed while a member of the Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP) from 23 April 1993 to 24 May 1997 be authorized and counted in as qualifying service. 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 in accordance with Department of Defense Instruction 1215.07 and Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation 7000.14-R, HPSP service credit counts only for the award of retirement points but does not authorize creditable service for determining eligibility for retirement. A review of your record indicates you commissioned under the HPSP on 23 April 1993. Subsequent to completing medical school, you commissioned in the Navy Reserve on 25 May 1997, completed an active duty tour from 8 July 1998 through 9 October 2002 and returned to the Navy Reserve on 10 October 2002. On 14 August 2012, you

discharged from the Navy Reserve after being assigned to the Standby Reserve-Inactive status for at least one year. After a break in service, you commissioned in the Navy Reserve on 21 August 2017 and currently assigned in a Selected Reserve status. Although you are not eligible to use HPSP service credit for retirement eligibility, you will receive the appropriate service credit points once you earn 20 qualifying years of service. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

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,

11/4/2022

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Deputy Director

Signed by: █