

Docket No. 5483-22 Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO

- Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552 (b) MARADMIN 663/19
- Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments (2) HQMC memo 1070 MPO, 30 Aug 22 (3) Subject's naval record

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 establish entitlement to Continuation Pay (CP).

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3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, found that, before applying to this Board, he exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board made the following findings:

- a. Petitioner's Pay Entry Base Date (PEBD) is 7 January 2008.
- b. Petitioner enrolled into the Blended Retirement System (BRS) on 21 February 2018.
- c. Petitioner reenlisted on 4 December 2019 for a term of 4 years and 7 months.
- d. Petitioner's last day eligible to elect CP was 6 January 2020.

e. Petitioner signed NAVMC 11905, Active Duty Blended Retirement System (BRS) Continuation Pay Statement of Understanding (SOU) on 23 May 2022 and elected lump sum payment.

## CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2),<sup>1</sup> the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. Petitioner enrolled in the BRS in a timely manner but failed to make the election for CP in accordance with reference (b)<sup>2</sup> prior to passing the service deadline of 12 years. However, Petitioner did not receive the Marine Online (MOL) notifications as outlined in reference (b) due to historical programming system errors; therefore, the Board felt under this circumstance, relief is warranted.

## RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner, in coordination with his command completed the required Statement of Understanding prior to reaching 12 years of service and submitted it to Commandant of the Marine (CMC) for inclusion in the Petitioner's Official Military Personnel File.

CMC validated Petitioner's CP eligibility and released CP authorization to Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). Note: DFAS will complete an audit of Petitioner's pay records to determine retroactive pay entitlement.

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will 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 Regulations, 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 the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Enclosure (2), the office having cognizance over the subject matter addressed in Petitioner's application has commented to the effect that the request has merit and warrants favorable action.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reference (b), Marines who enrolled in BRS and complete 12 years of service (YOS) may be eligible for a one-time CP payment in exchange for an agreement to serve four (4) additional years of obligated service, to run concurrent with any existing service obligation. For the purpose of CP eligibility, 12 YOS is defined as 12 years and zero days of service calculated from the Marine's PEBD. Additionally, the policy indicates Marines who reach 12 YOS in calendar year 2020 would receive notification of eligibility via MOL and Leave and Earning Statement messages 180 days and 30 days before reaching 12 YOS.