



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

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Docket No. 6012-22
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 1 September 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.

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 for correction to your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge Certificate from Active Duty dated 28 June 2003 to reflect Foreign Service and be awarded the Iraq Campaign Medal (ICM). 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 in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1900.8, Foreign Service will be entered on the DD Form 214 for service performed outside the continental United States, except while on deployment. A review of your record indicated you were assigned to the USS █ from 17 December 1999 to 28 June 2003. Historical records indicate the USS █ deployed to the Persian Gulf on 10 January 2003 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the War on Terrorism. During the period of 11 September 2001 to 18 March 2003, only the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (GWOTEM) was authorized for service in Iraq. From 19 March 2003 to 30 April 2005, the GWOTEM or ICM was authorized. However,

personnel are not authorized both medals on the same deployment per All Navy message 030/16. Your awards record does not indicate either award. You may contact Navy Personnel Command (PERS-312) via the MyNavy Career Center at askmnc@navy.mil or 833-330-6622 for guidance on having your record updated to reflect the award eligibility.

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,

9/14/2022

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Deputy Director

Signed by: █