



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 6718-22
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER █,
USN, █

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149
(2) Naval record (excerpts)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner, a former enlisted member of the Navy, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting a change to his naval record, specifically, to correct the record to reflect a name change. Enclosures (1) and (2) apply.

2. The Board, consisting of █, █, and █, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 16 November 2022, and pursuant to its regulations, determined the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval records, applicable statutes, regulations, and 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 Navy and began a period of active service on 8 October 1956. Petitioner's enlistment contract reflects the name: █. There is no indication in Petitioner's record that a birth certificate was used to verify the spelling of his name. Throughout his service, Petitioner signed his first name █.

d. Upon his discharge, Petitioner was issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214) with reflects the name: █.

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e. Petitioner provides a copy of his social security card [REDACTED] driver's license, and County of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Birth Certificate which reflect the spelling of his first name as [REDACTED].

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, especially in light of the evidence provided by the Petitioner, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants relief. In this regard, the Board determined Petitioner's DD Form 214 contains an administrative error. Petitioner provides sufficient evidence, which reflects Petitioner's legal name is [REDACTED].

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214 Report of Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States (DD Form 215) which reflects the name [REDACTED].

Petitioner be issued an honorable discharge certificate reflecting the name [REDACTED].

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

12/12/2022

[REDACTED]