



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 6807-22  
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO FORMER MEMBER [REDACTED],  
USN, XXX-XX-[REDACTED] [SERVICE NO. [REDACTED]]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) DoDM 1348.33-V2  
(c) SECNAV M-1650.1

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments  
(2) 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 be awarded the National Defense Service Medal (NDSM) and advancement to Aviation Electronic Technician First Class (AT1)/E-6.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 31 January 2023 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that 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 record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.

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. On 19 November 1957 Petitioner enlisted into the Naval Reserve for a term of 6 years, and entered active duty on 6 March 1959.

b. On 16 November 1960 Petitioner advanced to AT2/E-5, and completed practical factors for AT1/E-6 on 1 June 1961. On 17 December 1962 Petitioner recommended for advancement to AT1/E-6.

c. On 15 January 1963 Petitioner was released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve, and was discharged on 18 November 1963.

d. On 31 January 1965 Petitioner enlisted into the Navy Reserve for a term of 4 years and discharged on 30 January 1969.

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## CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded Petitioner met the criteria to be awarded the NDSM in accordance with references (b)<sup>1</sup> and (c).<sup>2</sup> However, the Board could not find, nor did Petitioner provide evidence of participating in the fall 1962 Navy Wide Advancement Examination (NWAE) and or advancing to AT1/E-6. Moreover, Petitioner's record reflects he did not receive a recommendation for advancement to AT1/E-6 until 17 December 1962, after the fall NWAE cycle. Therefore, the Board agreed, under these circumstances, partial relief is warranted.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner was awarded the National Defense Service Medal effective 15 January 1963.

Petitioner's DD Form 214, Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge dated 15 January 1963 is amended to reflect Block 26 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Commendations, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized) included the National Defense Service Medal.

The part of Petitioner's request for corrective action that exceeds the foregoing is denied because there is no evidence in the record reflecting advancement to AT1/E-6.

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.

2/6/2023

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Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]

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<sup>1</sup> Reference (b), the NDSM was established to recognize periods of military service.

<sup>2</sup> Reference (c), indicates the effective date of eligibility for the NDSM is from 1 January 1961 to 14 August 1974.