



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No: 7362-22

Ref: Signature date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER [REDACTED],  
USNR, [REDACTED]

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/ enclosure

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 correction of the social security number (SSN) on his record of discharge. Enclosure (1) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 7 October 2021, and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include reference (b).

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. Although Petitioner's application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider the case on its merits.

b. At the time Petitioner enlisted on 15 February 1965, block 26 of his enlistment contract recorded an 8-digit SSN of "[REDACTED]" which, when compared against his 9-digit federally issued social security card, was missing the leading numeral of the last four digits of his SSN. His SSN in his service records is otherwise identical but for the missing [REDACTED] at the sixth digit of his issued SSN.

c. At the time of his "Honorable" discharge from active duty on 25 June 1968, block 3 of his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) continued the omission of

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the sixth digit of Petitioner's SSN; however, his final Record of Discharge from the U.S. Naval Reserve (Inactive) was issued on 14 February 1971 with his correct, full SSN.

d. Petitioner provided a copy of his social security card in support of his application.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concluded that the Petitioner's request warrants favorable action in the form of relief. The Board reviewed his application under the guidance in the references and determined that the omission of the sixth digit from Petitioner's SSN as recorded in his discharge certificate constitutes a clear error.

In view of the foregoing, the Board finds the existence of an error warranting the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Uniformed Service (DD Form 215) reflecting that the SSN in block 3 of his DD Form 214 is corrected to reflect his entire SSN of "[REDACTED]."

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

A copy of this report of proceedings 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 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.

10/25/2022

