



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 7510-22

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], USN,
XXX-XX-[REDACTED]

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

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/ enclosures

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 his social security number (SSN) in his discharge record.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 10 February 2023, 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.

b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy on 6 October 1972. His enlistment contract, record of military status, and application for Armed Forces identification all recorded the last four digits of his SSN as "[REDACTED]." He began active duty on 23 January 1973 and was discharged under honorable conditions on 24 October 1973. Although the SSN documented in his Record of Discharge also reflects a last-four of "[REDACTED]," his Certificate of Discharge or Release from Active Duty (DD Form 214) contains a last-four of "[REDACTED]" in block 3 for his SSN.

c. Petitioner contends the SSN in his DD Form 214 is erroneous and the last four digits should read "[REDACTED]" consistent with his assigned SSN. In support of his contentions he provided a copy of his Social Security card, passport, and driver's license.

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CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concluded that Petitioner's request warrants favorable action in the form of relief. The Board noted that the SSN recorded in his DD Form 214 appears to have mistakenly replaced [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] at the sixth digit and, therefore, constitutes plain error, meriting correction.

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 Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215) indicating in block 3 that his SSN is "[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.

2/28/2023

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Executive Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]