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> Docket No: 8521-22 Ref: Signature Date

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

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- Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552
  - (b) USECDEF Memo, "Guidance to Military Discharge Review Boards and Boards for Correction of Military/Naval Records Regarding Equity, Injustice, or Clemency Determinations," of 25 July 2018
- Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments (2) Case Summary

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 previous period of honorable of service be added to his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214).

2. The Board, consisting of **Construction**, **Construction**, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 14 December 2022 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, and 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. 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 duty on 20 March 1991. Petitioner completed the enlistment on 23 February 1995, with an Honorable characterization of service, and immediately reenlisted on 24 February 1995.

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d. On 8 January 1998, Petitioner submitted a written request for discharge for the good of the service (GOS) to avoid trial by court-martial due to being in an UA status for 97 days. After his request was approved, on 3 February 1999, he was so discharged. Upon his discharge, he was issued a DD Form 214 that did not annotate his previous period of honorable service prior to his reenlistment.

## CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants relief. A review of Petitioner's official military personnel file documents he has a period of honorable service from "20 March 1991 to 23 February 1995". Applicable regulations authorizes the language "Continuous Honorable Active Service" in Block 18 (Remarks) of the DD Form 214, when a service member has previously reenlisted without being issued a DD Form 214, and was separated with a discharge characterization except "Honorable," as is the case at present. In this regard, the Board determined Petitioner's naval record shall be corrected to reflect his continuous honorable active service.

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

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Petitioner shall be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Armed Forces of the United States Report of Discharge (DD Form 215) with a correction to Block 18 (Remarks Section), annotating "Continuous Honorable Active Service: 20 March 1991 to 23 February 1995."

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

That 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 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 reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

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