



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 8871-22

Ref: Signature date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF █
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Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments

(2) Case Summary

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, the addition of the Navy Achievement Medal on his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214). Enclosures (1) and (2) apply.

2. The Board, consisting of █, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 12 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.

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 interests of justice to waive the statute of limitations and review the application on its merits.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active service on 12 February 1980. Petitioner was discharged on 11 January 1986 with an Honorable character of service upon the completion of his active duty service.

d. On 26 June 1981, Petitioner was awarded the Navy Expeditionary Medal.

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e. On 4 January 1983, Petitioner was assigned to the [REDACTED]. From a period beginning on 21 February 1985 to 24 August 1985, Petitioner completed a [REDACTED] Ocean deployment. Subsequently, Petitioner was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for the deployment.

f. A review of Petitioner's DD Form 214 shows that his Navy Expeditionary Medal and Navy Achievement Medal are missing from Block 13.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes Petitioner's request warrants relief. Based on a review of Petitioner's record, the Board determined he was awarded the Navy Expeditionary Medal and Navy Achievement Medal during his period of active duty service. Therefore, the Board found that an error exists with his DD Form 214 since neither medal is listed in block 13. Accordingly, the Board determined that both medals should be added to his DD Form 214 to correct the error in Petitioner's record.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), indicating the addition of the Navy Achievement Medal and the Navy Expeditionary Medal in block 13.

That no further changes be made to the 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.

1/12/2023

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Executive Director
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