



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 4-23  
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]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) MILPERSMAN 1220-040

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 establish advancement to Yeoman Second Class (YN2)/E-5. Additionally, Petitioner request correction to his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active (DD Form 214) ending on 10 January 1977 to include awarding of Humanitarian Service Medal, and submarine qualified.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 24 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. In accordance with reference (b), a member who has been physically disqualified for submarine duty may continue to wear the submarine insignia.

b. On 7 January 1974, Petitioner entered active duty.

c. On 14 May 1975, Petitioner was designated "Qualified in Submarines."

d. On 15 June 1975, Petitioner issued NAVPERS 1070/613, Administrative Remarks indicating, "Physically disqualified for submarine duty this date due to medical reasons. Reason: Sensorineural Hearing Loss, right ear. The enlisted (SS) designator is hereby revoked. Seaman

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██████████ will eligible for return to submarine duty when he again meets the physical requirements specified in the Manual of the Medical Department. Auth: ██████████ ltr ██████████ : evg 1220 Ser N1/3091 of 3 June 1975, and BUPERSMAN 1410360. Seaman ██████████ may continue to wear the submarine insignia.”

- e. On 24 March 1976, Petitioner completed practical factors for YN2/E-5.
- f. On 16 May 1976, Petitioner was promoted to Yeoman Third Class/E-4.
- g. On 10 January 1977, Petitioner transferred to the Temporary Disability Retired List (TDRL).
- h. On 25 July 1985, Chief of Naval Personnel removed Petitioner from the TDRL.
- i. Petitioner discharged on 29 August 1985.
- j. On 18 September 1998, Petitioner issued DD Form 215, Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty dated 10 January 1977 reflecting the addition of the Humanitarian Service Medal (New Life/New Arrival).

## 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 could not find, nor did Petitioner provided evidence of participating in the Navy Wide Advancement Examination for YN2/E-5. However, Petitioner’s record does reflect the issuance of a DD Form 215 for the Humanitarian Service Medal. Additionally, the Board found that Petitioner was eligible to continue wearing the submarine insignia in accordance with the NAVPERS 1070/613, Administrative Remarks issued on 15 June 1975, and reference (b). 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’s DD Form 214N, Report of Separation from Active Duty dated 10 January 1977 is amended to reflect adding “Submarine Breast Insignia” to Block 26 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Commendations, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized).

The part of Petitioner’s request for corrective action that exceeds the foregoing is denied. Petitioner can request replacement copy of DD Form 215 by submitting an SF-180, Request Pertaining to Military Record online at [www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records](http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records).

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will be filed in Petitioner’s naval record.

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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.

1/30/2023

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Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]