



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 1351-23
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear ██████████:

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found the evidence submitted insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. Consequently, your application has been denied.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 18 May 2023. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies. In addition, the Board also considered the advisory opinion by Office of the ██████████ ██████████ of 29 March 2023, which was previously provided to you. You were afforded an opportunity to submit a rebuttal, but did not do so.

You requested Sea Duty Incentive Pay (SDIP)-Back-To-Back (SDIP-B) from March 2022 to April 2025. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, the Board concluded that in accordance with Policy Decision Memorandum 001-21: SDIP Program, Sailors must request SDIP-B 14-16 months prior to their prescribed sea tour or periodic rotation date (PRD), whichever occurs later. If a Sailor is selected and posted to a billet prior to their request, they are now ineligible to receive SDIP entitlements. You requested SDIP in November 2021, which was after you had received PCS orders to ██████████ and five months prior to your PRD. The Board determined that you are not eligible for SDIP-B because you did not submit your request within the prescribed time-frame. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in

mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

5/26/2023

