

Docket No. 1433-23 Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER

- Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. 1552
- Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments
 - (2) Case summary
 - (3) Subject's naval record (DD Form 214)

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 changed by reflecting a favorable reentry code on his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214). Enclosures (1) through (3) apply.

2. The Board, consisting of **Sector 13** March 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.

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 waive the statute limitation and review the application on its merits.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and entered active duty on 19 September 2017. On 25 October 2017, Petitioner received a psychological evaluation and was diagnosed with an Unspecified Depressive Disorder that existed prior to enlistment (EPTS).

d. On 20 November 2017, Petitioner was discharged with an uncharacterized characterization of service by reason of Erroneous Entry with an RE-4 reentry code.

e. Petitioner contends that his RE-4 reentry code is unjust based on a misdiagnosis.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants favorable action. The Board notes Petitioner's erroneous entry and does not condone his misconduct. However, the Board concluded that Petitioner's record of post-service treatment supports the recommended relief in his case. As a result, the Board concluded, purely as a matter of clemency, it was appropriate to change Petitioner's RE-4 reentry code to RE-8 in light of his post-service treatment. The Board noted that a RE-8 reentry code is normally assigned to recruits in training who suffer from temporary medical conditions and is a waivable code, that may be granted after higher-level review.

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

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner's naval record is corrected to show that Petitioner was issued an "RE-8" reentry code on 20 November 2017.

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge From Active Duty (DD Form 215) reflecting the change to his reentry code.

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.

