



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 1970-23
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 27 April 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 Branch Head, Community Management Support Branch memorandum (BUPERS-█) of 15 March 2023, which was previously provided to you. You were afforded an opportunity to submit a rebuttal, but did not do so.

On 12 December 2018, you entered active duty for 4 years with an End of Active Obligated Service (EAOS) of 11 December 2022.

In accordance with OPNAVINST 1160.8B published on 1 April 2019, a member who receives orders to attend training to gain a qualifying Selective Reenlistment Bonus (SRB) Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC), but lacks the required obligated service to complete training may apply for OBLISERV to Train (OTT). To be eligible to apply for OTT, completion of the requested school must occur after the current inoperative extension (i.e., EAOS). If approved for OTT, the member will be allowed to extend enlistment through the school graduation date. The member must agree to obligate service to meet graduation date for the SRB rating, NEC, or skill and then reenlist after the new rating, NEC, or skill is attained or rating conversion is completed. The new rating, NEC, or skill must be designated for award of an SRB at the time of the OTT agreement.

If the member has passed through an SRB zone since the OTT approval date prior to graduation, then that member will receive the award level in effect for the member's current zone. If that award level is zero, then the member will not receive an SRB. An SRB eligible member cannot use this option to delay reenlistment to acquire advance training or another NEC to qualify for a higher paying award level.

On 9 February 2022, you were issued official change duty orders (BUPERS order: ██████████) with required obligated service to September 2026, while stationed at ██████████, ██████████, ██████████ with an effective date of departure of July 2022. Your ultimate activity was ██████████, ██████████, ██████████ for duty under instruction with an effective date of arrival of 30 July 2022, with a Projected Rotation Date (PRD) of March 2023. OBLISERV must be obtained within 30 days of receipt of these orders and prior to transfer.

In accordance with FY22 SRB AWARD PLAN (N13SRB 001/FY22) published on 14 February 2022, a zone "A" SRB for the AG rate was not listed.

Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System shows that on 29 April 2022 a 45-month agreement to extend enlistment with a Soft End of Active Obligated Service (SEAOS) of 11 September 2026

In accordance with FY22 SRB AWARD PLAN (N13SRB 002/FY22) published on 13 May 2022, a zone "A" SRB with an award level of 0.5 (\$30,000 award ceiling) for the AG rate was listed.

On 6 July 2022, you transferred from ██████████ ██████████ and arrived to ██████████ on 27 July 2022 for duty.

On 3 April 2023, you were issued official change duty orders (BUPERS order: ██████████ while stationed at ██████████, ██████████, ██████████ with an effective date of departure of May 2023. Your ultimate activity was ██████████ ██████████, ██████████ for duty with an effective date of arrival of 15 June 2023, with a PRD of June 2026.

You requested to have your 45 month extension of enlistment cancelled and be replaced with an OTT extension so you can be eligible for an SRB. 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 you were in receipt of BUPERS order: ██████████ that had you earning skillset AG/J00A upon graduation and requiring you to obligate service out to September 2026. At that time, there was no SRB available for the AG rate. In accordance with OPNAVINST 1160.8B, the new rating, NEC, or skill must be designated for award of an SRB at the time of the OTT agreement. Because you were not SRB eligible, you were not eligible for OTT. Canceling this extension for the sole purpose of obtaining eligibility would disadvantage every Sailor whose award level changed and that obligated service prior to the release of a new SRB award level. 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,

5/4/2023

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Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]