

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

> Docket No. 2175-23 Ref: Signature Date



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 4 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.

The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You requested that your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty ending on 17 July 1991 be corrected to reflect an active duty separation date of 31 October 1996. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, upon review of your record, the Board concluded that you enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve on 31 July 1990 for a term of 8 years. You completed initial active duty for training from 13 November 1990 through 17 July 1991 and thereafter, released from active duty and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve effective 18 July 1991. The Board could not find, nor did you provide evidence of reenlisting on active duty and/or continuous active duty service after 17 July 1991. The Board noted that a DD Form 214 is only issued for active duty service, thus your service in the Marine Corps Reserve should not be captured on your DD Form 214. 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.

