



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No. 7376-23
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.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 9 November 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.

You requested that your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty ending on 13 August 1986 be corrected to reflect time served based on Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps memorandum 13 December 2002 and your DD Form 1966, Application for Enlistment. Additionally, you requested the Good Conduct Medal (GCM) based on correction of your DD Form 214. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. Upon review of your record the Board concluded that you enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve on 14 May 1982 for 6 years of which 4 years was an active duty obligation. On 14 September 1982, you signed your DD Form 4 acknowledging your discharge from the Delayed Entry Program and entered active duty. On 1 April 1984 you were promoted to Lance Corporal (LCpl)/E-3. You were awarded your first nonjudicial punishment (NJP) and reduced to Private First Class/E-2 on 3 April 1985. Shortly thereafter, on 14 August 1985 you were awarded your second NJP, thus changing your GCM commencement date from 14 September 1982 to 14 August 1985. On 1 December 1985, you promoted to LCpl/E-3. Subsequently, you were awarded NJP on 28 April 1986 and 28 May 1986, your GCM commencement dates changed to align with each NJP date. On 13 August 1986, you were released from active duty and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve to

complete your military service obligation and issued a DD Form 214 for the active duty period of 14 September 1982 to 13 August 1986. The Marine Corps Liaison Officer, National Personnel Records Center Saint Louis issued Memorandum for the Record dated 13 December 2002 indicating your discharge date from initial military service obligation was 13 May 1988 vice 13 September 1988 as indicated on your Notice of Obligated Service. Therefore, the Board determined your DD Form 214 correctly reflects your period of active duty service and a change to your record is not warranted.

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,

11/21/2023

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Deputy Director

Signed by: █