



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
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Docket No. 8237-23

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER ██████████,  
USN, XXX-XX-██████████

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments  
(2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting addition of the Korean Defense Service medal, Combat Action Ribbon, and Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation to his discharge documents. Enclosure (2) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 29 November 2023, and, pursuant to its regulations, determined the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of his naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, 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 review the application on its merits.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 3 September 1965. Petitioner was discharged with an Honorable character of service on 2 June 1969.

d. Upon his discharge, Petitioner was issued a Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214). Block 24 of his DD Form 214 reflects he was awarded the following awards: National Defense Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon, Vietnam Service Medal (Three Bronze Stars), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, and Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea).

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e. On 24 October 2008, Navy Personnel Command, Retired Records Section, PERS 312D2—Review of record indicates entitlement to the following awards: National Defense Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea), Vietnam Service Medal with one silver and one bronze star, Korean Defense Service Ribbon, Combat Action Ribbon, and the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation-Gallantry Cross Medal color with Palm.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record and reference (b), the Board determined Petitioner's record warrants relief. As noted previously by Navy Personnel Command, Retired Records Section, PERS 312D2, Petitioner's DD Form 214 erroneously omits his entitlement to the Vietnam Service Medal with one silver and one bronze star, Korean Defense Service Ribbon, Combat Action Ribbon, and the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation-Gallantry Cross Medal color with Palm.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Report of Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States (DD Form 215), for the period ending on 2 June 1969, which indicates the addition of the following awards in block 24: Vietnam Service Medal with one silver and one bronze star, Korean Defense Service Ribbon, Combat Action Ribbon, and the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation-Gallantry Cross Medal color with Palm.

A copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval 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.

12/19/2023

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