

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

> Docket No. 8593-23 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.

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 21 December 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 your record be corrected to reflect advancement to Fire Controlman Second Class (FC2)/E-5 effective 19 July 1986. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that general requirements for Navy advancement include, be recommended for advancement, and nominated to participate in a Navy Wide Advancement Examination (NWAE), pass the NWAE, and meet or exceed the minimum multiple required for advancement to the next pay grade in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1430.16 (series).

A review of your record indicates you advanced to Fire Control Technician (Gun Fire Control) Third Class (FTG3)/E-4 effective 25 May 1984 with a time-in-rate date of 1 January 1984. On 1 July 1985, your rate changed from FTG3 to FC3 while maintaining the time-in-rate date of 1 January 1984. Subsequently, you were recommended for advancement to FC2/E-5 on 31 August 1986.

Based on documents you provided to the Board, you completed the MRPO Second Class correspondence course for advancement/professional development effective 19 July 1986; this does not equate to you being advanced to FC2/E-5. You participated in the September 1986 (Cycle 112) NWAE for FC2 and "Passed exam, not advanced due to quota limitation." You also participated in the March 1987 (Cycle 113) NWAE for FC2 with the same result; "Passed exam, not advanced due to quota limitations."

On 6 July 1987, you were released from active duty as a FC3/E-4 upon your decision not to reenlist in the U.S. Navy and later discharged from the Navy Reserve after completing your military service obligation. On 6 April 1991, you enlisted in the Naval Reserve for 2 years in the paygrade E-4 and was honorably discharged on 6 April 1993 in the rate of FC3/E-4.

The Board determined your record nor the documents you provided substantiate your advancement to FC2/E-5, therefore determined that a change to you 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,

1/5/2024

