

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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

> Docket No. 8643-23 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

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Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552

(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149

(2) Naval record (excerpts)

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting that his naval record be corrected to change his reentry code. Enclosure (1) and (2) applies.
- 2. The Board, consisting of allegations of error and injustice on 27 October 2023, and pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include reference (b).
- 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 Marine Corps and began a period of active service on 7 March 2005. On 27 November 2007, Petitioner received non-judicial punishment (NJP) for disobeying a lawful order by driving under the influence (DUI). He was subsequently counseled regarding his assignment of a reenlistment code of RE-3C due to his DUI. Petitioner was discharged, on 6 March 2009, with an Honorable character of service upon the completion of his active service and issued a reentry code of RE-3C.

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d. Petitioner request adjustment to his reentry code to improve his consideration for employment opportunities.

## CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record and reference (b), the Board determined Petitioner's record warrants relief.

The Board noted Petitioner's disciplinary infractions and does not condone his misconduct, which resulted in his RE-3C reentry code. However, the Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in Petitioner's case in accordance with reference (b). After reviewing the record holistically, and given the totality of the circumstances and purely as a matter of clemency, the Board concluded Petitioner's discharge reentry code should be changed to "RE-1A." In making this determination, the Board considered the fact Petitioner had no documented misconduct issues from his DUI on 29 September 2007 through his discharge date of 6 March 2009.

## RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), for the period ending 6 March 2009, which indicates a reentry code of "RE-1A."

That 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.

