



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

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Docket No. 8756-23  
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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 29 February 2024. 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Headquarters United States Marine Corps memorandum 1070 MPO of 1 November 2023, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to establish entitlement to Continuation Pay (CP). 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 you did not meet the eligibility criteria to receive CP in accordance with Marine Corps Bulletin 1800 dated 15 June 2021 and Marine Corps Administrative message 084/22. Specifically, the policies indicate CP must be elected prior to completing 12 years of service (YOS) as calculated from the pay entry base date (PEBD).

A review of your record indicates your PEBD is 19 September 2011, and you enrolled in the Blended Retirement System on 5 October 2020. Marine Online notifications of eligibility were posted to your account from 12 May 2023 through 8 September 2023. Additionally, on 29 August 2023, the Marine Corps Policy Office provided you with the procedures to elect CP prior to your 12 YOS. The Board determined that you received adequate notification of eligibility and guidance to make an informed decision to elect CP prior to reaching 12 YOS, therefore substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion that 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,

3/20/2024

