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(2) He was never issued, nor can he find any official military records storing his DD Form 214; and

(3) He is unable to attain his earned VA benefits due to the lack of evidence of his Active Component (AC) service; at the time of his discharge, he was not informed about his VA benefits.

CONCLUSION

Upon careful review and consideration of all of the evidence of record, the Board determined that Petitioner's request warrants relief.

After thorough review, the Board noted Petitioner has a period of Honorable active duty service from 25 July 1988 to 24 July 1991. At the expiration of Petitioner's active obligated service, Petitioner was transferred to the naval reserve. Upon release from active duty, Petitioner was not issued a DD Form 214. The Board concluded Petitioner is entitled to a DD Form 214 documenting his period of active duty service.

Further, although not specifically requested by Petitioner, the Board also determined that Petitioner's narrative reason for separation, separation authority, separation code and reenlistment code shall be annotated appropriately as required, and that the DD Form 214 accurately reflect all primary specialties, decorations, medals, badges, citations, campaign ribbons awarded, and military education based on his period of active duty service from 25 July 1988 to 24 July 1991.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board recommends that the following corrective action be taken on Petitioner's naval record in the interests of justice:

That Petitioner be issued a Certificate of Release from Active Duty (DD Form 214) indicating that for the period from 25 July 1988 to 24 July 1991, Petitioner's character of service was Honorable.

Furthermore, that Petitioner's DD Form 214 indicates the appropriate narrative reason for separation, separation authority, separation code, reenlistment code, and accurately reflect all primary specialties, decorations, medals, badges, citations, campaign ribbons awarded, and military education based on his active-duty period of service from 25 July 1988 to 24 July 1991.

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

That a copy of this record of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. It is certified that 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.

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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 Regulations, 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.

3/8/2024

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Executive Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]