



Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD [REDACTED]  
XXX XX [REDACTED] USMC RET

## CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. Petitioner met the basic eligibility criteria to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits but failed to properly complete the administrative requirements outlined in reference (b).<sup>1</sup> Although Petitioner did not complete the appropriate administrative requirements, the Board concluded that had he received adequate counseling, he would have been able to transfer unused education benefits to eligible dependents after 1 August 2009 without an additional service obligation. Therefore, the Board determined that under this circumstance, relief is warranted.

## RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner elected to transfer unused education benefits to [REDACTED]/6-months and [REDACTED]/6-months through the MilConnect TEB portal on 1 August 2009.

Petitioner, in coordination with his command completed the required Statement of Understanding on 1 August 2009 and submitted it to Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) for inclusion in the Petitioner's official military personnel file. HQMC reviewed Petitioner's TEB application, and it was approved on 1 August 2009 without an additional service obligation in accordance with reference (b).

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will 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 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 the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

3/25/2024

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Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]

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<sup>1</sup> Reference (b), the option to transfer a Service member's unused education benefit to an eligible dependent did not require an additional service obligation for those eligible to retire on 1 August 2009. Additionally, the policy specified the service obligation to transfer the educational benefits begins from the date of the service member's TEB web application request date but can be no earlier than 1 August 2009.