

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 21 October 2024

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240001952

APPLICANT REQUESTS: correction of his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) to show his award of the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

APPLICANT'S SUPPORTING DOCUMENT(S) CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD:

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DD Form 214

FACTS:

1. The applicant did not file within the 3-year time frame provided in Title 10, U.S. Code, section 1552(b); however, the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) conducted a substantive review of this case and determined it is in the interest of justice to excuse the applicant's failure to timely file.
2. The applicant states he was discharged before the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal was authorized and issued. He was on active duty in 1991 and he was discharged in 1992. He would like his DD Form 214 corrected, and the award issued. His request is related to the Persian Gulf War.
3. Review of the applicant's records show:
 - a. He enlisted in the Regular Army on 10 June 1982.
 - b. He was honorably released from active duty on 31 July 1992. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 10 years, 1 month, and 21 days of net service. It also shows he was awarded the following:
 - Army Service Ribbon
 - Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon
 - Overseas service Ribbon
 - Army Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award)
 - National Defense Service Medal

c. The applicant enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve on 1 August 1992, for 3 years.

4. The applicant's record does not contain any discharge orders after July 1995, nor does it contain service documents for the period that the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal was authorized.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

1. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found that relief was not warranted.
2. The Board carefully considered the applicant's contentions, the military record, and applicable regulatory guidance. The Board considered the applicant's period of active duty service, the date of his separation and the criteria to include dates of service for award of the GWOT. The record does not contain, nor does the applicant provide, evidence of service during the period for which the award is authorized. Based on a preponderance of evidence, the Board determined that the absence of the GWOT is not in error or unjust.

BOARD VOTE:

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| : | : | : | GRANT FULL RELIEF |
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| : | : | : | GRANT FORMAL HEARING |
|  |  |  | DENY APPLICATION |

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The evidence presented does not demonstrate the existence of a probable error or injustice. Therefore, the Board determined the overall merits of this case are insufficient as a basis for correction of the records of the individual concerned.

4/28/2025

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CHAIRPERSON

I certify that herein is recorded the true and complete record of the proceedings of the Army Board for Correction of Military Records in this case.

REFERENCES:

1. Title 10, U.S. Code, section 1552(b), provides that applications for correction of military records must be filed within 3 years after discovery of the alleged error or injustice. This provision of law also allows the ABCMR to excuse an applicant's failure to timely file within the 3-year statute of limitations if the ABCMR determines it would be in the interest of justice to do so.
2. Army Regulation (AR) 600-8-22 (Military Awards) states the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal is authorized for award to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have participated in the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) operations outside of the designated areas of eligibility defined for the GWOT Expeditionary Medal (paragraph 2-18g of this regulation), on or after 11 September 2001 to a future date to be determined.
3. AR 635-5 (Separation Documents) states for item 13 decorations, medals, badges, citations and campaign ribbons awarded or authorized. Entries will be for all periods of service. Check Soldier's service records for validity of awards. Do not abbreviate when listing the entries. List entries as prescribed in paragraph 2-7b.

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