

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 17 January 2024

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240004813

APPLICANT REQUESTS: correction of his DD Form 214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge) for the period ending 11 October 1968 to show his social security number (SSN) as shown on his social security card.

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DD Form 214, for the period ending 11 October 1968
- Department of the Army, Office of the Adjutant General, Letter Order Number 09-1392209, 20 September 1972
- State Driver's License, issued 7 October 2020
- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Member Identification
- Social Security Card

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 that his SSN on his DD Form 149, item 5a (SSN While Serving) is listed as [REDACTED] and his current SSN is [REDACTED]. In addition, he states that his SSN on his DD Form 214 is listed as [REDACTED] when in fact his SSN is [REDACTED] [a number different than what he provided in item 5a on his application]. He wants this document and any other forms at the VA corrected. This will allow all future records request, VA visits, or any other correspondence to be correct.
3. The applicant provides:
 - a. His DD Form 214, for the period 12 October 1966 to 11 October 1968, showing he was honorably released from active duty on 11 October 1968 and transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve. Item 3 (SSN) shows his SSN as [REDACTED]

b. Department of the Army, Office of the Adjutant General, Letter Order Number 09-1392209, 20 September 1972, shows he was honorably discharged on 11 October 1972. His SSN is shown as [REDACTED]

c. His SSN card, shows his SSN as [REDACTED]

4. The applicant's phone number he provided to request a clarification of his SSN is not in service and the email address he provides is not his, but his daughter's. The Army Review Boards Agency cannot contact the daughter due to privacy issues due to the applicant still being alive.

5. The applicant's military records are not available for review. The Board requested his records from the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO, but no records were located. However, the DD Form 214 and documents he provides are sufficient for the Board to conduct a fair and impartial review of this case.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application and all supporting documents, the Board found that relief was warranted. The Board carefully considered the applicant's record of service, documents submitted in support of the petition and executed a comprehensive review based on law, policy and regulation. Upon review of the applicant's petition and available military records, the Board determined there is sufficient evidence to grant full relief. Based on this, the Board granted relief to correct the applicant's social security number as that reflected on his social security administration card.

BOARD VOTE:

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:	:	:	GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF
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:	:	:	DENY APPLICATION

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The Board determined the evidence presented is sufficient to warrant a recommendation for relief. As a result, the Board recommends that all Department of the Army records of the individual concerned be corrected by amending the applicant's DD form 214, for the period ending 11 October 1968 to show his social security number as that reflected on his social security administration card.

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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. Army Regulation 15-185 (Army Board for Correction of Military Records) prescribes the policies and procedures for correction of military records by the Secretary of the Army acting through the ABCMR. The ABCMR considers individual applications that are properly brought before it. The ABCMR will decide cases on the evidence of record; it is not an investigative body. The ABCMR begins its consideration of each case with the presumption of administrative regularity. The applicant has the burden of proving an error or injustice by a preponderance of the evidence. The ABCMR members will direct or recommend changes in military records to correct the error or injustice, if persuaded that material error or injustice exists and that sufficient evidence exists in the record.

2. Army Regulation 635-5 (Separation Documents), prescribed the separation documents which are prepared for individuals upon retirement, discharge, or release from active military service or control of the Army. It established standardized policy for preparing and distributing the DD Form 214. The DD Form 214 is a synopsis of the Soldier's most recent period of continuous active duty. It provides a brief, clear-cut record of active Army service at the time of release from active duty, retirement, or discharge. This is the most vital document the service member will receive from the Army. Benefits which they may be eligible to receive as a result of military service will be based on the DD Form 214.

a. The general instructions stated personnel officers will use the following documents when preparing the DD Form 214:

- DA Form 201 (Military Personnel Records Jacket)
- DA Form 2 (Personnel Qualification Record – Part I) and DA Form 2-1
- separation orders
- DD Form 4
- DA Form 3716
- enlistment records and DD Forms 214 for prior-service personnel
- any other available records

b. The specific instructions for item 3 states to verify the accuracy with the SSN of record.

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