

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 29 April 2025

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240011572

APPLICANT REQUESTS: reconsideration of his prior request for correction of his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) to amend item 3 (Social Security Number) to show [REDACTED] vice [REDACTED].

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- Social Security Administration (SSA) Letter dated 14 June 2024

FACTS:

1. Incorporated herein by reference are military records which were summarized in the previous consideration of the applicant's case by the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) in Docket Number AR20200001157 on 25 September 2020.

2. The applicant states he needs his social security number (SSN) corrected on his DD Form 214 to receive credit for his military service. He was assigned the incorrect SSN as a child. He requested his social security card to obtain work and was informed by a representative from the SSA that his original SSN was assigned to someone else. The SSA issued him a new SSN.

3. The applicant provides a letter from the SSA which notes the applicant was assigned two SSNs by no fault of his own. Two SSNs are identified as [REDACTED], the correct and requested SSN, vice [REDACTED], the contested and incorrect SSN.

4. A review of the applicant's service record shows:

a. On 2 December 1986 the applicant enlisted in the Regular Army. The DD Form 4 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document) completed during his enlistment processing shows in item 1 (SSAN) the contested SSN.

b. The associated documents during his service period listed below reflect his service number as the contested SSN:

- DA Form 2-1 (Personnel Qualification Record – Part 11)
- Orders 041-355 dated 9 February 1987

c. On 19 October 1988, he was discharged from active duty with a general, under honorable conditions characterization of service. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 1 year, 10 months, and 18 days of active service. It also shows in Block 3, the contested SSN, [REDACTED].

5. On 25 September 2020, the ABCMR rendered a decision in Docket Number AR20200001157. The Board noted the applicant had not provided evidence such as a letter from the SSA confirming his statement that the SSN was assigned erroneously. The Board determined the evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of a probable error or injustice and denied his request for relief.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application and all supporting documents, the Board determined relief was warranted. The applicant's contentions, the military record, and regulatory guidance were carefully considered. Based upon the available documentation including a letter from the Social Security Administration explaining an error involving the applicant's contested SSN number, the Board concluded there was sufficient evidence of an error or injustice warranting a change to the SSN recorded on the applicant's DD Form 214.

BOARD VOTE:

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:XXX	:XXX	:XXX	GRANT FULL RELIEF
:	:	:	GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF
:	:	:	GRANT FORMAL HEARING
:	:	:	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 Army records of the individual concerned be corrected by amending the applicant's DD Form 214 by changing the applicant's SSN to reflect the requested SSN of [REDACTED], as noted on the SSA letter in the record.

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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:

Army Regulation 635-8 (Separation Processing and Documents), currently in effect, states the DD Form 214 is a summary of the Soldier's most recent period of continuous active duty. It provides a brief, clear-cut record of all current active, prior active, and prior inactive duty service at the time of release from active duty, retirement, or discharge. The information entered thereon reflects the conditions as they existed at the time of separation. Block 3 (Social Security Number) states verify accuracy by reviewing initial enlistment contract and/or application for appointment. If the Soldier has had more than one social security number, list the other social security number of record in Block 18 (Remarks).

//NOTHING FOLLOWS//