## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2015-091



The applicant, who received an uncharacterized discharge from recruit training on October 10, 2003, because she did not meet the Coast Guard's physical procurement standards, asked the Board to correct the name and address of her "nearest relative" in block 19.b. of her discharge form DD 214 because the person listed in block 19.b. is no longer her nearest relative.

The Coast Guard recommended that the Board deny relief because it is untimely and because her request lacks merit. The Coast Guard explained that, according to the instructions for preparing DD 214s in COMDTINST M1900.4D, all entries on a DD 214, unless otherwise specified, are for the period of active duty documented by the DD 214. Therefore, the Coast Guard argued, because the person listed in block 19.b. was the applicant's nearest relative in October 2003, her DD 214 is correct and does not warrant correction.

## FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The applicant's request is untimely and without merit. As the Coast Guard stated, under COMDTINST M1900.4D, the entry in block 19.b. is supposed to be accurate as of the date the DD 214 was issued in 2003. The applicant has not shown that the person listed in block 19.b. was not her nearest relative in 2003. Therefore, her request should be denied.

ORDER

The application of former SN \_\_\_\_\_\_, USCG, for correction of her military record is denied.

February 12, 2016

