



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
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20 Nov 02

MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF  
NAVAL RECORDS

Via: Assistant for BCNR Matters (PERS-OOZCB)

Subj: COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION ICO SCPO ██████████  
██████████, USN (RET.) (DECEASED), ██████████, DOCKET NO. 07810-02

Ref: (a) BCNR Pay memo of 20 Sep 02

Encl: (1) SCPO Schultz's NAVCOMPT Form 2272 dtd 6 Jul 80

1. Per reference (a), recommend the BCNR not correct SCPO ██████████ record to reflect that he enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) using his full retired pay as his base amount prior to transferring to Fleet Reserve.

2. The recommendation is based on the following:

a. SCPO ██████████ transferred to the Fleet Reserve on 31 August 1980. He enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) spouse only coverage category at the minimum base amount of \$300.00. In order to make such an election, his spouse was required to concur with his election. The enclosure indicates that Mrs. ██████████ in fact, concurred with this election. SCPO ██████████ died on 27 January 2002.

b. SCPO ██████████ had three subsequent opportunities to increase his elected base amount for the SBP after his retirement. The first was during the 1 October 1981 to 30 September 1982 open season, and he had two other opportunities during on 1 April 1992 to 31 March 1993 and 1 March 1999 to 29 February 2000. Unfortunately, SCPO Schultz did not take advantage of these opportunities. SCPO ██████████ received a Retiree Account Statement (RAS) each time there was a change in his retired pay and at least one annually which identified him as a participant in the SBP, yet he took no action to increase his amount of participation during the above open seasons. Additionally, "Shift Colors" (the Navy quarterly newsletter) which was provided to SCPO ██████████ routinely contained information regarding the SBP open season enrollment periods.

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3. There are no other provisions under federal law which permit a member's base amount to be increased aside from the annual Congressionally mandated cost of living adjustments.

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