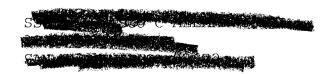


DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

It is noted that Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) has filed in your record references (c) through (f) of their advisory opinion dated 11 June 2008, a copy of which is attached.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 25 September 2008. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion cited above and your undated rebuttal letter with enclosures.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion. The Board found the contested document is not irrelevant, as

your promotion was not effected before this document was executed on 7 April 2004, but was delayed until 1 March 2005. Further, the Board noted the determination that you were not guilty of the charges against you did not establish that you were, in fact, innocent. In view of the above, your application for relief beyond or other than that effected by HQMC has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

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