



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

Docket No: 7827-16
JUL 25 2017

Dear [REDACTED]

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.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 1 May 2017. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 (AO) provided by the Headquarters, Marine Corps (MMRP-13) dated 30 August 2016.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully considered your desire to remove from your official military personnel file the fitness report (FITREP) for the reporting period 28 July 2015 to 2 February 2016. In this regard, the Board considered your contentions that (1) you were not presented with a written or verbal counseling pertaining to your duties or what was expected of you in your billet prior to the submission of the FITREP; (2) you were unjustly reprimanded for a training incident that the Section Chief was responsible for; (3) you successfully completed the Howitzer Section Chief Course and there was no requirement for recertification; (4) you successfully fulfilled your duties and responsibilities during two live fire training exercises; and (5) you successfully completed the Marine Corps Cannon Crewman Advanced Course. After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record and application, the Board found the evidence was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. The Board determined that removing the FITREP is not warranted. In this regard, the Board significantly concurred with the comments and recommendation in the AO. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken at this time. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon the submission of new and material evidence. New evidence is evidence 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,



Executive Director