

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 6599-17

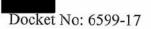
Dear

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, 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 February 2018. 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, relevant portions of your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. The enclosed advisory opinion (AO) was sent to you for an opportunity to comment prior to being considered by the Board. After the period for comment expired without a response, the case was presented to the Board.

The Board carefully considered your desire to remove or modify your fitness report (FITREP) for the reporting period 14 February 2014 to 21 June 2014. The Board considered your contention that the statement "He accomplishes assigned tasks and missions with little guidance" is adverse. The Board substantially concurred with the AO and determined the phrase does not imply "minimal" in the adverse context prohibited by MCO P1610.7F para 5001.3, so it does not meet the definition of an unacceptable comment. Additionally, the Board did not concur with your perception that the phrase was adverse but instead viewed the description as a positive one. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that fivorable 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