



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 6693-17
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From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] USMC, XXX-XX [REDACTED]

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 (NR20170006693)
(2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), [REDACTED] the daughter of [REDACTED] (deceased), filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting correction to the record of [REDACTED] (hereinafter "Petitioner") to reflect a change to his date of entry into active duty service.
2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 3 January 2018, and pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of his naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.
3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice finds as follows:
 - a. Before applying to this Board, all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy were exhausted.
 - b. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, it is in the interest of justice to review the application on its merits.
 - c. Petitioner's Report of Separation from U.S. Naval Service (DD Form 2014) reflects 30 January 1954, as the date on which Petitioner entered a period of active duty in the United States Marine Corps. His DD Form 214 states that he was discharged from the Marine Corps on 29 January 1954, with an honorable characterization of service.
 - d. Petitioner's service record indicates that Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps on 30 January 1951, and served for three years.
 - e. The Board, in its review of Petitioner's service record and application, carefully weighed all factors and determined that Petitioner is entitled to full relief.

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f. The Board found that Petitioner's enlistment records establish that he joined the Marine Corps on 30 January 1951, and he service honorable for three years. Accordingly, the Board determined that Petitioner's DD Form 214 contains an administrative error in block 19, "Date and Place of Entry into Active Service" and should read "30 Jan 51" instead of "30 Jan 54."

CONCLUSION:

The Petitioner be granted full relief with respect to the correction of his date of entry into the Marine Corps.

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner be issued a DD Form 215, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty to show that his date of entry into the Marine Corps was 30 January 1951.

That a copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

That, upon request, the Department of Veterans Affairs be informed that Petitioner's application was received by the Board on 8 August 2017.

4. Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(c) it is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above entitled matter.

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Recorder

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulation, Section 723.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

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Executive Director