



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 8027-17

MAR 26 2018

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD IC [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] JSMC

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

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments
(2) HQMC ltr 1000 IOE dtd 10 Jan 18
(3) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a) Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting, in effect, that the applicable naval record be corrected to establish entitlement to the Foreign Language Proficiency Bonus (FLPB).

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 16 February 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 Petitioner's naval 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, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. In correspondence attached as enclosure (2), the office having cognizance over the subject matter addressed in Petitioner's application has commented to the effect that the request has merit and warrants favorable action.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action: The Petitioner was entitled to receive a monthly FLPB from 22 June 2016 to 30 September 2016. Petitioner was assigned to the [REDACTED] Scholar Program at the University of [REDACTED] on 10 July 2015. Upon the completion of his language training, he took the Defense Language Proficiency Test on 22 June 2016 and scored a passing grade. Petitioner was not eligible to receive automatic payment of FLPB; however, he was

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eligible to submit a request to receive FLPB in accordance with MARADMIN 456/14. Due to admin oversight, no payment was made.

RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner was entitled to a monthly FLPB payment of \$350 for the period of 22 June 2016 to 30 September 2016. Note: Petitioner scored a 3 reading (proficiency level) and 2+ listening (proficiency level) on the Defense Language Proficiency Test taken 22 June 2016.

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. It is certified that 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(a) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, 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