

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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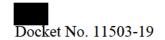
Dear

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1552. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. Consequently, your application has been denied.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 3 December 2020. 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.

Regarding your request for a personal appearance, the Board determined that a personal appearance with or without counsel will not materially add to their understanding of the issue involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You requested to establish eligibility to transfer Post-9/11 education benefits to eligible dependents. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board determined you did not meet the eligibility criteria to transfer education benefits in accordance with Title 38 U.S.C. Chapter 33. Pursuant to this law, Navy Administration (NAVADMIN) message 187/09, released on 26 June 2009 and NAVADMIN 203/09, released on 11 July 2009, published Navy guidance implementing the transfer of Post 9/11 GI Bill education benefits. Subsequently, Bureau of Naval Personnel Notice (BUPERSNOTE) 1780 promulgated on 7 April 2010 with various updates prior to your 1 December 2019 retirement. The aforementioned policies outlined eligibility, processing, service obligation, and reference information germane to transferring education benefits to eligible dependents. Specifically, an eligible individual is one who served a minimum of 90 aggregate days of qualifying active duty after 10 September 2001. A review of



your record indicates you completed 81 days of Active Duty for Training, which qualified towards your aggregate active service. However, completion of Annual Training orders does not qualify, thereby rendering you ineligible to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits.

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 matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or 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.

