

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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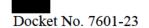
Dear ,

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. 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 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 30 May 2024. 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Commander, Navy Recruiting Command letter 1133 Ser N35 of 25 April 2024, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to include the Parent Plus Loan to your approved Loan Repayment Program (LRP) enrollment. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that you did not meet the eligibility criteria for the LRP. However, Commander, Navy Recruiting Command has determined that any LRP payments made will not be recouped and they will not make any payments beyond the approved \$44,600.

A review of your record reflects that you enlisted in the Naval Reserve on 16 March 2020 for 8-years with specified active duty obligation per assigned ratings. Your NAVCRUIT 1133/52, Enlistment Guarantees – Annex "A" listed Aviation Ordnanceman (AO/5YO) Class "A" School Guarantee; Enlistment Bonus for Recruit Training Command Physical Fitness Assessment (EBPFA) \$2,000 – Bonus; and Enlistment Bonus for College Credit (EBCC) \$8,000 - Bonus with an Active Duty Service Date (ADSD) of 23 June 2020. At the time of your enlistment Commander, Navy Recruiting Command (COMNAVCRUITCOM) message 290400Z February 2020 outlined the enlistment incentives for future Sailors initially classified or reclassified on or after 29 February 2020; the AO rating was not eligible for LRP.



On 24 June 2020, you reclassified into the Advanced Technical Field Special Warfare Operator (ATF/SO 6YO) Challenge Program and issued NAVCRUIT 1133/52, Enlistment Guarantees - Annex "B." Annex "B" also guaranteed Enlistment Bonus for Source Rate (EBSR) \$28,000 – Bonus; EBCC \$8,000 – Bonus; EBPFA \$2,000 – Bonus; and Enlistment Bonus for Physical Screening Test (EBPST) \$2,000 – Bonus. ADSD changed to 7 December 2020. COMNAVCRUITCOM message 130400Z June 2020 outlined the enlistment incentives for future Sailors initially classified or reclassified on or after 13 June 2020; the SO rating was not eligible for LRP.

COMNAVCRUITCOM message 242338Z September 2020 added the SO rating for LRP eligibility, but specifically indicated it pertained only to future Sailors initially classified or reclassified on or after the 24 September 2020. On 9 November 2020, you were erroneously issued NAVCRUIT 1133/52, Enlistment Guarantees - Annex "C" for the purpose of adding eligibility of the LRP up to \$65,000, which was not authorized because you did not have a change to your rate, program or ADSD. On 18 November 2020, the Navy LRP Manager mistakenly issued you an approval for LRP in the amount of \$44,600.

On 7 December 2020, you entered active duty and completed Recruit Basic Military Training on 1 February 2021. As of 16 February 2021, you received enlistment bonus payment in the amount of \$10,000. You began SO training from 19 February 2021 through 4 May 2021 but thereafter reclassified into the Master-At-Arms (MA) rating and issued NAVCRUIT 1133/52, Enlistment Guarantees - Annex "D" on 5 May 2021. Annex "D" also incorrectly guaranteed LRP up to \$65,000. COMNAVCRUITCOM message 162254Z April 2021 outlined the enlistment incentives for future Sailors initially classified or reclassified on or after 16 April 2021; the MA rating was not eligible for LRP.

In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

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.

