

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

> Docket No. 8359-23 Ref: Signature date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

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- Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552
- Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments (2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting addition of the Vietnam Service Medal and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal to his record. Enclosure (2) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of **Constant 1**, **Constant 1**, and **Constant 1**, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 8 March 2024, and, pursuant to its regulations, determined 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, 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. 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 enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 24 July 1964. Petitioner was discharged with an Honorable character of service on 23 July 1968.

d. Upon his discharge, Petitioner was issued a Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214). Block 24 of his DD Form 214 reflects he was awarded the following awards: National Defense Service Medal and Vietnam Service Medal.

e. An awards review of the record determined Petitioner was entitled to addition of the

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Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze campaign stars. There is no indication Petitioner is entitled to the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record, the Board determined Petitioner's record warrants partial relief. As noted previously, Petitioner's DD Form 214 does not correctly indicate all the awards he is entitled to.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to DD Form 214, Report of Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States (DD Form 215), for the period ending on 23 July 1968, which indicates the addition of the following awards: Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze campaign stars.

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

4. 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.

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.

	4/3/2024	
Executive Director		
Signed by:		
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