

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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> Docket No. 9657-23 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO, USN,

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Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552

(b) MILPERSMAN 1810-081 (c) NAVADMIN 117/22

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments

(2) Advisory Opinion by OPNAV (N130), 21 Nov 23

(3) Subject's naval record

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting that his naval record be corrected to establish entitlement to Continuation Pay (CP).
- 2. The Board, consisting of ______, and _____ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 10 July 2024 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 record, 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, found that, before applying to this Board, he exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board made the following findings:
- a. In accordance with references (b) and (c), Service Members who enrolled in Blended Retirement System (BRS) are eligible to receive mid-career CP at 12 years of serve (YOS) in exchange for an agreement to service four additional years of obligated service, to run concurrent with any existing service obligation. For the purpose of CP eligibility, 12 YOS is computed from the member's Pay Entry Base Date (PEBD). Reference (c) specified that for service member's that provided Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS) with an up-to date email address, NSIPS would send email notifications of CP eligibility at 11 years 6 months YOS, 11 years 9 months YOS and final reminder at 11 years 11 months YOS. Members who were unable to elect CP through NSIPS were authorized to make a manual CP election through their Command Career Counselor.

- b. Petitioner's PEBD is 5 January 2011.
- c. Petitioner completed the required BRS Opt-in Training (J3OP-US1332) on 1 November 2017.
 - d. Petitioner elected to opt-in to the BRS on 14 December 2018.
 - e. On 1 December 2020, Petitioner reenlisted for 6 years.
 - f. Petitioner's CP election window was from 5 July 2022 to 4 January 2023.
 - g. On 30 April 2024, Petitioner reenlisted for 5 years.
- h. 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.
- i. On 28 June 2024, Petitioner acknowledged CP eligibility, CP obligated service requirements outlined in reference (b) and elected to receive CP in four equal installments.

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. Petitioner met the eligibility criteria for CP; however, failed to make the election in accordance with references (b) and (c) prior to passing the 12 year service deadline. The Board concluded that had Petitioner received adequate counseling, he would have followed proper procedures prior to going over 12 years of service. Although Petitioner did not complete the proper administrative requirements, the Board determined that under this circumstance, relief is warranted.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner in coordination with his command completed the required Continuation Pay NAVPERS 1070/613, Administrative Remarks prior to reaching 12 years of service and submitted it to Commander, Navy Personnel Command for inclusion in the Petitioner's Official Military Personnel File.

Commander, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-8) validated Petitioner's CP eligibility and released CP authorization to Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). Note: DFAS will complete an audit of Petitioner's pay records to determine retroactive pay entitlement.

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will 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 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 the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

