



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 0464-24

Ref: Signature Date

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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.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 15 March 2024. The names and votes of the panel members 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, to include the 25 July 2018 guidance from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness regarding equity, injustice, or clemency determinations (Wilkie Memo).

You enlisted in the Navy and commenced a period of active duty on 19 June 1986. On 20 June 1986, you were counseled regarding the Navy's policy on drug and alcohol abuse. On 25 June 1987, you received non-judicial punishment (NJP) for unauthorized absence (UA) from your appointed place of duty. On the same day, you were counseled regarding your misconduct and notified further misconduct would result in the initiation of administrative separation proceedings. On 7 November 1988, you received NJP for wrongful use of marijuana. Consequently, you were notified of the initiation of administrative separation proceedings as a result of misconduct due to your drug abuse. You waived your right to consult with counsel and to a hearing before an administrative discharge board. A drug and alcohol abuse report on 8 November 1988, notes you were evaluated and determined not to be drug dependent. Subsequently, the separation authority approved and directed your discharge, with an Other Than Honorable (OTH) character of service by reason of misconduct due to drug abuse. On 27 December 1988, you were so discharged.

The Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in your case in accordance with the Wilkie Memo. These included, but were not limited to your desire to upgrade your characterization of service and

