

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

> Docket No. 777-24 Ref: Signature Date



Dear

This is in reference to your application for correction of your father's 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 19 March 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 father's naval record and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.

You requested your father's rank on his DD Form 214, Report of Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States reflect Machinist Mate First Class (MM1)/E-6 vice Machinist Mate Second Class (MM2)/E-5. The Board, in its review of your father's entire record and your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that on 25 October 1954, the U.S. Navy Exam Center Advancement Authority authorized your father's advancement to MM1 effective 16 March 1955. Thereafter, on 15 December 1954, your father transferred to Naval Hospital San Diego for treatment and the entered an Administrative Remarks in your father's record that indicated, "Providing eligibility is maintained, [your father] may be advanced to MM1 effective 16 March 1955." However, your father was discharge on 7 March 1955, before the effective date of his advancement to MM1/E-6. Therefore, the Board determined that a change to your father's record is not warranted.

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.

Sincerely,
3/27/2024