

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

> Docket No. 996-24 Ref: Signature Date



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 1 August 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, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) letter 5420 Ser SUP 04/079 of 22 July 2024 and your response to the opinion.

You requested cancellation of debt regarding household goods (HHG) shipment that you executed in 2019 in conjunction with your retirement, the Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that the Joint Personal Property Shipping Officer personnel in Hawaii notified you that you did not need to worry about any overweight amount because you were retiring. However, the Board concluded that in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR)¹ you were authorized 13,000 lbs. for your move as an E-7. There is no provision in the JTR that allows for a member to ship more than the allowable weight at government expense due to retirement. Your 2019 HHG shipment was 4,950 pounds overweight. NAVSUP requested

¹ The authorized Permanent Change of Station (PCS) weight allowance is normally determined by a Service member's grade on the effective date of the PCS order, and whether or not the Service member has dependents on the effective date of the PCS order. This section also covers circumstances when the PCS weight allowance is based on other factors. PCS and Non-temporary Storage Weight Allowances: Grade/With Dependents/Without Dependents E-7/13,000lbs./11,000lbs.

that you review your inventory sheets and identified items that could be considered Professional Books, Papers and Equipment (PBP&E). Your HHG move was re-adjudicated, subtracting 520 lbs. of PBP&E, lowering your debt, which the Board determined that you are responsible for paying the remaining debt. 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.



Sincerely,