



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 1774-24  
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 21 November 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 advisory opinion form Bureau of Medicine and Surgery memorandum 1520 Ser N131/23UN10736 of 25 June 2024 and your response to the opinion.

You requested first semester tuition reimbursement for 4 year Health Professional Scholarship Program (HPSP) scholarship. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that you did not meet the criteria in accordance with Chief of Naval Operations Instruction 1520.39A and Program Authorization 130.

A review of your record reflects that you signed Academic Year Statement on 18 October 2018. You were appointed an officer in the U.S. Navy on 17 December 2018. However, you did not sign the NAVCRUIT 1131/131, Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program (AFHPSP) Service Agreement and NAVPERS 1000/4, Officer Appointment Acceptance and Oath of Office until 21 January 2019. Thereafter, upon completion of your program, you accepted an active duty commission on 23 May 2022 and entered active duty on 30 May 2022.

The Board noted that you may have started the recruiting process by completing the Academic Year Statement on 18 October 2018, but you did not complete the process to enter into the HPSP until 21 January 2019. Therefore, in this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion, and determined a change to your 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,

12/16/2024

