

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

> Docket No. 2405-24 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO

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Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552

(b) DoD 7000.14-R¹

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments

(2) 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 reflect he elected Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP) "Option A" within 90 days of receiving Notification of Entitlement (NOE) to Retired Pay at Age 60 and Eligibility to Participate in the RCSBP.
- 2. The Board, consisting of previous pr
- 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. On 18 April 2014, Petitioner married
- b. On 1 March 2023, Petitioner issued NOE to Receive Retired Pay at Age 60 and Participate in the RCSBP.
- c. On 23 January 2024, Commandant of the Marine Corps issued Petitioner Notification of Autoenrollment in the RCSBP stating, "[s]ince your current marital status shows you as married, you have been enrolled in Option C "I elect RCSBP coverage for an annuity to begin on the day

¹ Any member who is notified of their completion of the years of service required for retired pay eligibility for non-regular retirement may elect to participate in the RCSBP before the end of the 90-day period. A member who is married or has a dependent child, and who receives notice of eligibility for retired pay, after 1 January 2001, is automatically an immediate participant in RCSBP unless the member elects (with spousal concurrence, if required) not to participate or to defer the decision or delay coverage before the end of the 90-day period.

after the date of death, whether before or after my 60th birthday", with an effective date of 1 June 2023."

d. On 17 June 2024, Petitioner and spouse signed SBP Affidavit before a notary witness requesting to decline SBP coverage.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded Petitioner provided sufficient evidence to reflect his and spouse's desire to decline RCSBP coverage. Although Petitioner did not complete the proper administrative requirements, the Board determined that his timely submission to take corrective action warrants relief.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner elected RCSBP Option "A" with spousal concurrence within 90 days of receiving NOE to Retired Pay at Age 60 and Eligibility to Participate in the RCSBP.

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.

