

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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> Docket No. 2602-24 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

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Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552

(b) NAVADMIN 108/20, 15 Apr 20

(c) FY21 SRB Award Plan (N13SRB 002/FY21), 28 Dec 20

(d) FY21 SRB Award Plan (N13SRB 003/FY21), 19 Feb 21

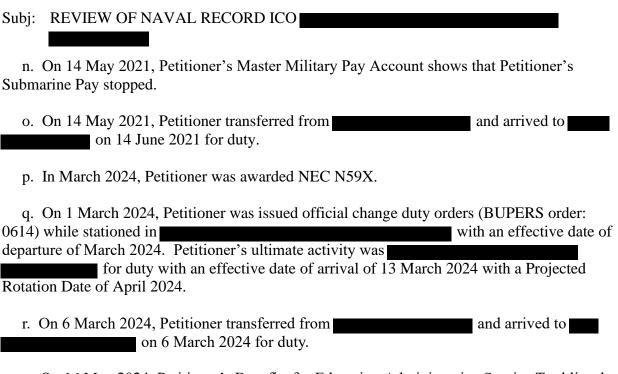
Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments

(2) Advisory opinion by 28 Sep 23

(3) 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 cancel operative/non-operative extension and show that Petitioner reenlisted on 28 February 2021 for 4 years and was eligible for and received a Zone B Selective Reenlistment Bonus (SRB), and was eligible to transfer his education benefits.
- 2. The Board, consisting of reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 21 May 2024 and pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.
- 3. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice finds as follows:
- a. On 24 February 2015, Petitioner entered active duty for 4 years with an End of Active Obligated Service (EAOS) of 23 February 2019 and Soft EAOS (SEAOS) of 23 February 2021; "Training in the Nuclear Field Program and advancement to E4 per MILPERSMAN Articles 1160-040 and 1510-030. I understand that this extension becomes binding upon execution, and thereafter may not be cancelled, except as set forth in MILPERSMAN Article 1160-040. In particular, I understand that when I accept advancement to E4, 12 months of this agreement may not be cancelled whether or not I complete Nuclear Power or Advanced Training."

- b. On 27 April 2017, Petitioner transferred from and arrived to on 30 May 2017 for duty.
- c. On 20 October 2017, Petitioner reenlisted for 6 years with an EAOS of 19 October 2023 and received a Zone A SRB.
 - d. On 2 February 2018, Petitioner got married.
- e. In March 2019, Petitioner was awarded Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) N16S. In April 2020, Petitioner was awarded NEC N33Z.
- f. In accordance with reference (b), this NAVADMIN announced revised SRB policy for Active Component and Full Time Support, superseding NAVADMIN 272/19. Sailors must now have reenlisted within 365 days of their EAOS (as opposed to 270 days required in NAVADMIN 272/19), except in the case of Nuclear-trained Sailors who could have reenlisted at any point in the reenlistment zone, per guidance in OPNAVINST 1160.8B.
 - g. On 28 November 2020, Petitioner's first dependent child was born.
- h. In accordance with reference (c) (28 December 2020), FY21 SRB Award Plan (N13SRB 002/FY21), a Zone "B" SRB with an award level of 7.0 (\$100,000 award ceiling) for the MMN(SS)/N16O/S rate/NEC was listed.
- i. On 5 January 2021, Petitioner was issued official change duty orders (BUPERS order: 0051) with required obligated service to June 2024, while stationed in with an effective date of departure of May 2021. Petitioner's ultimate activity was for duty with an effective date of arrival of 16 June 2021 with a Projected Rotation Date of June 2024. Obligated service to June 2024 is required for this assignment which may be satisfied by reenlistment or extension of enlistment. Circumstances such as potential monetary loss under critical skills bonus or SRB, refer to MILPERSMAN 1306-106 para 4. Use of NAVPERS 1070/613 only authorized for SRB eligible sailors.
- j. On 10 February 2021, Petitioner signed an agreement to extend enlistment for 8 months with a SEAOS of 19 June 2024 in order to incur sufficient obligated service to execute BUPERS order 0051.
 - k. In June 2022, Petitioner was awarded NEC 8CFL.
- 1. In accordance with reference (d) 19 February 2021, FY21 SRB Award Plan (N13SRB 003/FY21), a Zone "B" SRB with an award level of 7.0 (\$100,000 award ceiling) for the MMN(SS)/N16O/S rate/NEC was listed.
 - m. On 24 February 2021, Petitioner entered Zone B.



s. On 16 May 2024, Petitioner's Benefits for Education Administrative Service Tool listed no dependents.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded that on 5 January 2021, Petitioner was issued BUPERS order: 0051 with required obligated service to June 2024. At that time, a Zone B SRB was authorized in accordance with reference (c), however Petitioner was still in Zone A. On 10 February 2021, Petitioner signed an 8-month agreement to extend enlistment to meet the OBLISERV. On 24 February 2021, Petitioner entered Zone B. The Board determined that Petitioner could have reenlisted upon entering Zone B in accordance with reference (b) vice extending enlistment. On 28 February 2021, Petitioner would have been eligible to reenlist for 4 years and receive a Zone B SRB. Furthermore, Petitioner would have been eligible to transfer his education benefits to his dependents.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner's 8-month agreement to extend enlistment (NAVPERS 1070/621) executed on 10 February 2021 is null and void.

Petitioner was discharged 27 February 2021 and reenlisted on 28 February 2021 for a term of 4 years.

Note: This change will entitle Petitioner to a Zone "B" SRB with an award level of "7.0" (\$100,000 award ceiling) for the MMN(SS)/N16S, rating/NEC. Remaining obligated service to

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19 October 2023 will be deducted from SRB computation. Additionally, Navy Personnel Command is authorized to align transfer of education benefits with the 28 February 2021 reenlistment. Furthermore, that any other entries affected by the Board's recommendation be corrected.

The Board for Correction of Naval Records (BCNR) will not take any action with the
Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) for the SRB payment. Petitioner's SRB
payment will <u>not</u> be funded by the BCNR's Claims Line of Accounting (LOA).
at the secured funding via unexecuted SRB funds and will use their LOA to pay
the SRB payment, and will coordinate directly with the DFAS to determine Petitioner's
incentive. Contact the Assistant Manager,
concerning SRB payment.

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.

