



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 3828-24
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

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Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments
(2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting the addition of the Marine Good Conduct Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Navy Unit Commendation, and China Service Medal on his father's U.S. Marine Corps Report of Separation (DD Form 214).

2. The Board, consisting of █, █, and █, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 1 July 2024 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined 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 his father's naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, it is in the interest of justice to review the application on its merits.

c. Petitioner's father enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 28 October 1943. On 13 January 1946, Petitioner's father was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps by reason of convenience of the government.

d. On 20 June 2024, Headquarters Marine Corps (MMPB-32A) completed a review of Petitioner's father's record and determined the former member is entitled to the following awards: Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation, China Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/two bronze campaign stars, World War II Victory Medal, and the Rifle

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Marksman Badge. Further, the review indicated that Petitioner's father's official record could not substantiate his entitlement to the Combat Action Ribbon or his eligibility for the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal.

e. Petitioner's Next of Kin requested an updated DD Form 214/215 for his father who is now deceased.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record, the Board determined Petitioner's request warrants partial relief. The Board relied heavily on the Headquarters Marine Corps MMPB-32A review of 20 June 2024 and determined the subject former service member is entitled to the addition of the following awards on his DD Form 214: Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation, China Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/ two bronze campaign stars, World War II Victory Medal, and the Rifle Marksman Badge.

Regard Petitioner's request for his father to be issued the Combat Action Ribbon and the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, the Board concurred with the Headquarters Marine Corps MMPB-32A review and determined Petitioner's father is not entitled to the aforementioned awards.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

That the subject former service member be issued a Correction to Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), for the period ending 13 January 1946, indicating his entitlement to the Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation, China Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/ two bronze campaign stars, World War II Victory Medal, and the Rifle Marksman Badge.

No further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

A copy of this report of proceedings 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 Regulation, Section 723.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing

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corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

7/23/2024

