



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 4675-24

Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF █, █,
USN, █

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 addition of the Kuwait Liberation Medal on his Certificate of Discharge or Release from Active Duty (DD Form 214). Enclosure (2) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of █, and █, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 15 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 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 enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 5 June 1991. On 2 February 1992, Petitioner was assigned to the █. He was ultimately discharged on 11 February 1994 after a period of Honorable service. Post-discharge, PERS-312 denied the Petitioner's request for the addition of the Kuwait Liberation Medal.

d. On 12 June 2024, the Navy Department Board of Decorations and Medals (NDBDM) determined that there is preponderance evidence in the Petitioner's record to support his entitlement to the Kuwait Liberation Medal. Petitioner served on board the █, █, which was stationed in the area during the eligible period for the Kuwait Liberation Medal.

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The NDBDM noted that Petitioner received the Southwest Asia Service Medal for operations in the same area of responsibility.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of the evidence of record, the Board determined Petitioner's request warrants relief. The Board relied heavily on the NDBDM letter of 12 June 2024 in determining Petitioner is entitled to the Kuwait Liberation Medal.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), for the period ending 11 February 1994, indicating the addition of the Kuwait Liberation Medal to Block 13.

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

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

7/31/2024

