



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No. 4801-24  
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Dear Petitioner:

This letter is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1552. After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found that the evidence submitted was 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 7 May 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.

The Board carefully considered your request for a Special Selection Board (SSB) to determine if you would have been selected to Command Senior Chief (CMDSCS/E-8). You also requested selection to Command Master Chief (CMDSCM/E-9), if the Board determined that you would have been selected to CMDSCS by the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Command Senior Chief Selection Board. The Board considered your claim that you completed all requirements pursuant to OPNAVINST 1306.2H but, contrary to the order, you were not allowed to apply for the CMDSCS program. Specifically, you contend that the outgoing Force Master Chief (FORCM) for the Submarine Force community encouraged you to apply for CMDSCS, however, on 31 October 2016, the incoming Force Master Chief informed you that you couldn't apply for the program.

In regards to your claim that you completed all requirements in accordance with OPNAVINST 1306.2H, but the incoming FORCM informed you that you could not apply for the program, the Board determined your request is without merit. In this regard, the Board noted pursuant to NAVADMIN 210/16 and OPNAVINST 1306.2H, all Command Senior Enlisted Leader (CSEL) Program packages must be favorably endorsed by the member's current Commanding Officer (CO), Command Master Chief (CMDSCM), and Force Master Chief (FORCM). In your case, the

FORCM notified you that he would not favorably endorse your package had you decided to proceed with the CSEL Selection Board. Thus, the Board determined, other than your personal statement and email dated 21 July 2016, you provided insufficient evidence that you completed the requirements as set forth in the relevant policies. Finally, regarding your request that the Board conduct an adhoc board to determine “if they believe you would have been selected” by the FY18 CMDCS Selection Board, this Board not have the authority to conduct such a review. Thus, the Board concluded that there is no probable material error, substantive inaccuracy, or injustice warranting corrective action. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon the submission of new matters, which will require that you 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,

5/22/2024

