

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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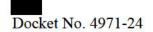
Dear

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found the evidence submitted 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 10 October 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Navy Personnel Command (NPC) memorandum 1900 PERS 312/SA of 18 June 2024 and your response to the opinion.

You requested that your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty be updated to delineate 26 months of creditable Operation Iraqi Freedom/Operation Enduring Freedom campaign service plus applicable earned unit Campaign Medals. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. On 20 June 2024, NPC issued you a DD Form 215, Correction of DD Form 214 amending Block 13 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized) by adding Navy "E" Ribbon, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (2), and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal to your DD Form 214 ending 31 August 2021. If you have additional questions regarding the issuance of the DD Form 215, you may contact the MyNavy Career Center at 833-330-6622 or via email at askmncc.fct@navy.mil.

Regarding the awarding of the Iraq Campaign Medal for service while assigned to Joint Contracting Command-Individual Augmentee and the Board may



only correct service records based on errors or injustices and may do so only after other avenues of administrative relief have been exhausted. For assistance with the aforementioned, you may contact Chief of Naval Operations Awards Branch via phone at 703-695-0053 or email at cnoawards@us.navy.mil.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new matters, which will require you to 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.

