



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
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Docket No. 5015-24

Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER ██████████,  
USN, XXX-XX-██████████

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/ enclosures

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 her discharge under honorable conditions be upgraded to fully honorable. Enclosure (1) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 15 November 2024 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include reference (b).

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. Although Petitioner's 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 the case on its merits.

b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 27 June 2005. Her enlisted performance evaluation for the period from 4 November 2004 through 15 July 2006 was favorable and recommended her for advancement and retention.

c. Although the documents pertaining to Petitioner's administrative separation were not retained in her official military personnel file (OMPF), her discharge record reflects that she was separated under honorable conditions, on 1 December 2006, by reason of pregnancy or childbirth pursuant to her voluntary request for discharge. Her final enlisted performance evaluation rated

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her military behavior as meeting standards and being promotable, with favorable comments incident to her pending separation.

d. Petitioner contends that she was discharged pursuant to her voluntary request to separate due to pregnancy, impending single parenthood, and lack of familial support that would normally be necessary for a proper family care plan. She was informed her discharge would be under honorable conditions but, at that time, was unaware of the difference between her proposed characterization that and fully Honorable characterization. She states that she was not given a reason or explanation for her discharge being less than fully Honorable but had no disciplinary history or low trait marks which might have warranted a lesser characterization.

#### CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concluded that Petitioner's request warrants relief. The Board reviewed her application under the guidance provided in reference (b).

The Board noted that, under the authority and reason for which Petitioner was discharged, barring exceptional circumstances, she should have been issued a characterization of discharge consistent with type warrant by service record. In that regard, the Board found that Petitioner's record, to include her favorable performance evaluations and lack of documented misconduct, clearly reflected honorable service. Accordingly, the Board concluded that her discharge under honorable conditions was issued in error and determined that her discharge merits correction in the interest of justice.

In view of the foregoing, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner be issued a new Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) indicating that, for the period ending 1 December 2006, she was discharged with an "Honorable" characterization of service.

That Petitioner be issued an Honorable discharge certificate.

That 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.

12/11/2024

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Executive Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]