



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 5140-24

Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF ██████████  
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Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) SECDEF Memo of 3 Sep 14 (Hagel Memo)  
(c) PDUSD Memo of 24 Feb 16 (Carson Memo)  
(d) USD Memo of 25 Aug 17 (Kurta Memo)  
(e) 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 narrative reason for separation, separation code, and separation authority be changed and that her date of birth (DOB) be corrected. Enclosures (1) and (2) apply.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 30 October 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 references (b) through (e).

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. Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 12 July 1994.

c. Petitioner was referred for a mental health evaluation on 2 October 1996 and, in light of her diagnosis of Personality Disorder (PD), she was recommended for administrative separation.

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d. On 9 October 1996, Petitioner was notified of processing for administrative separation by reason convenience of the government due to diagnosed PD and was recommended for discharge with an Honorable characterization of service.

e. Petitioner contends that she was unjustly forced to accept an honorable discharge due to mental health issues she developed after being raped by an instructor during MP school. She denies having been diagnosed with PD. In support of her request, she submitted a personal statement, statements from her spouse and sister, service records, and her Department of Veterans Affairs health records. She also states that the DOB on her discharge record is incorrect.

f. Throughout her enlistment, Petitioner's service records documented her DOB as 4 February 1976. However, her Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) recorded 4 December 1976 as her DOB.

#### CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concluded that Petitioner's request warrants relief. The Board reviewed the application under the guidance provided in references (b) through (e) intended to be covered by this policy.

In keeping with the letter and spirit of the Hagel, Kurta, and Wilkie Memos, the Board determined that it would be an injustice to label one's discharge as being for a diagnosed character and behavior and/or adjustment disorder. Describing Petitioner's service in this manner attaches a considerable negative and unnecessary stigma, and fundamental fairness and medical privacy concerns dictate a change. Accordingly, the Board concluded that Petitioner's discharge should not be labeled as being for a mental health-related condition and that certain remedial administrative changes are warranted to the DD Form 214.

Additionally, as discussed above, the Board noted the error with Petitioner's DOB on her DD Form 214 and determined it requires correction.

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 DD Form 214 indicating that, for the period ending 18 October 1996, her discharge was issued under the authority of "MARCORSEPMAN par 6214," for the narrative reason of "Secretarial Authority," with a separation code of "JFF1," and a reentry code of "RE-1J." Additionally, block 5 shall read "760204."

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

A copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

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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.

11/25/2024

