



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001
ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No. 5575-24
Ref: Signature Date

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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 7 November 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.

On 10 June 1991, you enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve for 8 years with an Expiration of Obligated Service of 9 June 1999.

You were released from active duty and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve with an Honorable character of service and were issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 10 February 1992 to 18 August 1992 upon completion of required active service (USMCR) IADT.

On 4 February 1998, Officer In Charge, █ notified █ that “[p]er the reference [Commander, █ letter 1900 SJA of 4 December 1997], subject name Marine was discharged on 4 February 1998.”

In accordance with MCO P1900.16D published 27 June 1989, prepare and physically deliver a DD Form 214 to Marines upon:

Release from Active Service. Except as provided in paragraph 1202.3, a DD Form 214 will be furnished to each Marine at the time of separation from a period of active duty. This includes

separation from a period of actual or apparent (de jure or de facto) service as well as release from an enlistment that is void by reason of minority.

Release from a Period of Active Duty for Training of 90 Days or More. Personnel being separated for physical disability, those serving on an initial or subsequent period of active duty under the Reserve Incremental Initial Active Duty for Training (IADT) Program and those serving in the Reserve Full-Time Support (FTS) Program will be furnished a DD Form 214 regardless of the length of time actually served on active duty. (See paragraph 1202.5, item 18e.)

On 3 May 2017, Assistant Head, Inactive Reserve Section Separation and Retirement Branch issued you a Reserve Retirement Master Control Card (1820) listing a period of service from 10 June 1991 to 6 February 1998. Furthermore, you obtained a Total of 4 Years Qualifying Service for Retirement. Finally, you were issued 2 Honorable Discharge certificates with the following effective dates, 4 February 1998 and 6 February 1998.

You requested that your service record reflect your enlistment period in the Marine Corps be from 10 February 1992 to 4 February 1998. The Board in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. In support of your application, you provided your DD Form 214, which you state, reflects your enlistment date. Based on your statement, the Board believed you are disputing the date listed in block 12b (separation date this period), which is 18 August 1992. However, the Board concluded that the DD Form 214 documents periods of active service. Your only period of *active service* was your initial active duty training, and it is correctly listed on your DD Form 214 as 10 February 1992 to 18 August 1992. Therefore, the Board determined that a change to your record is not warranted. The Board did note that your record contains a discrepancy with regards to your discharge from the Marine Corps Reserve. In addition to the honorable discharge certificate that you provided, listing your discharge date of 4 February 1998, there is another honorable discharge certificate and the Reserve Retirement Master Control Card listing a discharge date of 6 February 1998. If you wish to resolve this discrepancy, the Board recommends that you contact Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps directly for correction.

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.

Sincerely, _____

11/25/2024

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Deputy Director

Signed by: █