



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

Docket No. 6085-24  
Ref: Signature Date

Dear [REDACTED],

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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 7 January 2025. 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 by the Branch Head, Community Management Support Branch memorandum 1160 Ser B328/085 of 6 June 2024, and your response to the opinion.

The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You requested to be awarded Zone B, PS/0000, 0.5 award level Selective Reenlistment Bonus (SRB) in the amount of \$30,000. The Board in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. On 29 September 2022 you reenlisted for 6 years, at which time no Zone B SRB was authorized for the PS rate. On 26 October 2022, the FY23 Reserve SRB Award Plan (N13 SRB 001/FY23) was published, authorizing a Zone B SRB for the PS rate. You assert that, “[you] only missed it by 2 days. The SRB bonus came out 1 October 2022.” However, the Board determined that at the time you reenlisted you were not eligible for SRB. Furthermore, even though a bonus was offered approximately a month later, changing your reenlistment for the sole purpose of obtaining eligibility for SRB would disadvantage every sailor whose award level changed and that

reenlisted prior to the release of the new SRB Award Plan. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion and determined that a change to your naval record is not warranted.

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,

1/16/2025

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