



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 6353-24
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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 10 September 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 Headquarters, United States Marine Corps memorandum 1400/3 MMPB-11 of 15 August 2024 and your response to the opinion.

You requested to adjust your date of rank of Corporal/E-3 to 15 June 1956 and be promoted to Sergeant/E-4. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, the Board concluded that in accordance with the Marine Corps Enlisted Promotion Procedures of 1956, the requirements for promotion to Sergeant/E-4 was minimum of 12 months service in current grade, obtaining a passing score on the General Military Subjects Tests, obtain a composite score equal to or above the composite score established, and recommended by the local promotion board and Commanding Officer.

A review of your record reflects you enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve on 15 June 1955. You were advanced to Private First Class/E-2 on 1 November 1955. On 29 February 1956, you entered a period of active duty and subsequently advanced to Corporal/E-3 on 1 May 1957. Thereafter, you were released from active duty and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve on 28 February 1958 and discharged on 14 June 1963.

The Board could not find, nor did you provide, any evidence that validates your assertion that your promotion to Corporal was unduly delayed. The Board could not validate these requirements within your application, supporting documents, or your official military personnel file. Therefore, in this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion and determined a change to your 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,

9/21/2024

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