

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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> Docket No. 6355-24 Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552

(b) MILPERSMAN 1810-080

(c) PL 114-92 § 631(a)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments

- (2) Advisory Opinion by OPNAV N130, 18 Jun 24
- (3) Subject's naval record
- 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 naval record be corrected to establish eligibility to enroll in the Blended Retirement System (BRS) and receive retroactive Thrift Saving Plan (TSP) matting contributions.
- 2. The Board, consisting of reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 11 September 2024 and pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.
- 3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, found that, before applying to this Board, he exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board made the following findings:
- a. On 15 August 2017, Petitioner enlisted in the Navy for participation in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC), establishing his date initially entered military service.
 - b. On 18 March 2018, Petitioner completed the mandatory BRS Opt-In Course.
 - c. On 24 May 2021, Petitioner accepted a regular commission and entered active duty.
 - d. Petitioner's first day to opt-into the BRS was 27 July 2021.

e On 27 August 2021 Petitioner detached NROTC unit at and reported to for temporary duty or

f. Petitioner's last day to opt-into the BRS was 31 August 2021.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2), the Board finds the existence of an error warranting the following corrective action. In accordance with reference (b), Petitioner met the eligibility criteria for BRS but failed to complete the election process during the BRS election window from 27 July 2021 to 31 August 2021. The Board determined Petitioner completed the required BRS training but surmised as a new officer, she may have needed additional counseling. Therefore, the Board determined that under these circumstances, partial relief is warranted.

RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner is authorized to irrevocably opt into BRS within 45 days of receiving this decision document. Note: Petitioner is directed to contact MyNavy Career Center for assistance with opting into BRS within 45 days of receiving this decision document.

The part of Petitioner's request for corrective action that exceeds the foregoing is denied in accordance with reference (c). TSP contributions may not be made for a member making an election to opt-in to the BRS for any period beginning before the date of the member's election by reason of the member's election.

A copy of this report of proceedings will 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 titled 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 Regulations, 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 the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

