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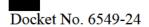
Dear ,

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 19 December 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 Commander, Navy Personnel Command memorandum of the provided to you for comment.

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 a review of the Board's decision to deny you a correction of your navy record because your ship, the _______, was not involved in the ______ conflict. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that your ship was going in circles off the coast of _____ and that you don't know if the Board accessed the ship logs for deployment during the period of 1983-1984. However, the Board concluded that you served onboard the ______ from 1 July 1983 to 15 August 1986. The Board requested an advisory opinion from Navy Personnel Command. Navy Personnel Command conducted a review of your record and that of the



and found that the was authorized no awards, ribbons, or decorations for the time period you were onboard. Additionally, in accordance with SECNAVINST 1650.1H there were no authorized expeditions which would qualify you for the Navy Expeditionary Medal. The only expedition involving was for the period of 21 November 1979 to 20 October 1981 which was prior to your naval service. Therefore, the Board determined that no change to your record is warranted. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion.

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.



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