



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No. 6589-24

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Dear Petitioner:

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 6 September 2024. The names and votes of the panel members 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. Additionally, the Board also considered an advisory opinion (AO) furnished by Headquarters Marine Corps, Manpower Management Performance Branch 2 (HQMC).

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 enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve (USMCR) and began a period of active duty service on 16 July 2012. At the completion of your required active service, on 30 January 2013, you were honorably discharged at the rank of Private First Class (E-2). You then were initially assigned to a USMCR unit in █, █.

Between January 2013 and July 2018, you remained in good standing with the USMCR by earning satisfactory years by completing required annual training and drill weekend obligations during each anniversary year. On 30 July 2018, you were transferred to the Individual Ready

Reserve. On 11 October 2019, upon the completion of your total 8-year contractual obligation, you were discharged from the USMCR.

As part of the Board review process, HQMC reviewed your contentions and available records, and issued an AO dated 3 July 2024. HQMC noted that a DD Form 214 is only issued upon completion of at least ninety (90) consecutive days of active duty service. HQMC determined that following your completion of approximately six (6) and one-half months of active duty service on 30 January 2013, you never performed another qualifying period of active duty service to warrant a subsequent DD Form 214. Accordingly, HQMC opined that your DD Form 214 for your active duty period of service ending 30 January 2013 is correct and no further corrections were required. However, the HQMC AO noted that they intend to issue you a DD Form 256 to document your Honorable discharge from the USMCR, effective 11 October 2019.

The Board, in its review of the entire record and petition, considered your contentions and your materials submitted. As your military record now stands, there are no material errors with your DD Form 214 for your period of active duty service ending 30 January 2013. The Board determined at no point following your initial active duty service that you performed any subsequent active service while in the USMCR of a long enough duration to qualify for an additional DD Form 214. Additionally, the Board noted that your ultimate discharge from the USMCR will be reflected in a new DD Form 256. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

The BCNR sincerely appreciates, respects, and commends you for your Honorable and faithful service over your entire military career.

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,

9/16/2024

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