



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
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Docket No. 7411-24  
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From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records  
To: Secretary of the Navy

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Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) SDAP Eligibility Chart, 7 Dec 21  
(c) DODFMR, Vol 7A, Chp 8

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments  
(2) Advisory opinion by OPNAV N130, 12 Sep 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 his naval record be corrected to establish retroactive entitlement to Special Duty Assignment Pay (SDAP) for the period of 11 December 2021 to 30 September 2022.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████ and ██████████ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 6 May 2025 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. In accordance with reference (b), SDAP may be paid to Sailors in excess of Billets Authorized when assigned to engineering or reactor departments on nuclear powered warships, repair departments of a nuclear-repair-cable submarine tender, staff at a nuclear pipeline training activity, or assigned to a Department of Energy Naval Reactors facility. All personnel must hold the applicable Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) in order to be eligible for SDAP. Billet N14S was authorized SDAP level SD-4 for excess billets.

b. Reference (c) specifies when a member receiving special duty assignment pay is attending a course of instruction and the course of instruction is necessary for member's continued

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[REDACTED]

qualification in the special duty assignment then special duty assignment status continues and entitlement to SDAP continues.

c. On 1 September 2015, Petitioner assigned NEC 805A - Instruction.

d. On 17 November 2017, Petitioner detached [REDACTED] and reported to [REDACTED] on 18 November 2017 for duty.

e. On 1 March 2019, Petitioner assigned NEC N14S - Submarine Nuclear Propulsion Plant Supervisor-Electrical.

f. On 20 March 2019, Petitioner's Master Military Pay Account (MMPA) reflects entitlement to SDAP SD-5 started.

g. On 13 April 2021, Petitioner issued BUPERS Order: 0391 (Official Change Duty Orders) to [REDACTED] via intermediate stop at [REDACTED] as a student on temporary duty under instruction (TEMDUIN). Report no later than (NLT) date to [REDACTED] was 24 August 2021 and report NLT date to [REDACTED] was 11 December 2021 in assigned rate of EMN1, DNEC1: N14S, and DNEC2: 805A.

h. On 22 July 2021, Petitioner's MMPA reflects entitlement to SDAP SD-5 stopped and SDAP SD-4 started on 23 July 2021.

i. Petitioner issued Detachment evaluation for period of report from 10 November 2020 to 24 July 2021. Report indicates "Submitted on the occasion of [REDACTED] transfer to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]"

j. Petitioner issued Periodic evaluation for period of report from 25 July 2021 to 15 November 2021. The evaluation indicates Petitioner reported to [REDACTED] on 23 August 2021 and leave/transit from 25 July 2021 to 22 August 2021.

k. On 10 December 2021, Petitioner's MMPA reflects SDAP SD-4 entitlement stopped.

l. Petitioner issued Periodic evaluation for period of report from 16 November 2021 to 15 November 2022 from [REDACTED].

m. On 17 January 2023, Petitioner issued BUPERS Order: 0173 (Official New Appointment Orders) to [REDACTED] for duty. Orders directed Petitioner to detach from [REDACTED] in July 2023 and report to [REDACTED] NLT July 2023.

n. Petitioner issued Special evaluation from period of report from 16 November 2022 to 30 June 2023 from [REDACTED] "upon member's commissioning as a Nuclear Limited Duty Officer."

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[REDACTED]

o. On 30 June 2023, Petitioner discharged to accept commission or warrant in same branch of Service and accepted active commission on 1 July 2023.

p. Petitioner issued Detachment fitness report for period of report from 1 July 2023 to 7 July 2023 from [REDACTED] "upon transfer to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

q. On 7 July 2023, Petitioner detached [REDACTED] and reported to [REDACTED] for duty.

## 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 injustice warranting the following corrective action. In accordance with reference (b), Petitioner was eligible for continued SDAP entitlement while assigned to [REDACTED] as a student on TEMDUIN from 23 August 2021 to 9 December 2021, followed by assignment to [REDACTED] for duty from 10 December 2021 to 30 June 2023. However, due to an administrative oversight, Petitioner was not properly gained to respective commands resulting in a debt on his military pay account. Therefore, the Board determined, under these circumstances, relief is warranted.

## RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner detached [REDACTED] on 24 July 2021 and reported to [REDACTED] on 23 August 2021 for TEMDUIN.

Petitioner detached [REDACTED] on 11 December 2021 and reported to [REDACTED] on 11 December 2021 for duty.

Petitioner was entitled to SDAP while assigned to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] during the period of 23 August 2021 through 30 June 2023, at SDAP level SD-4 at the rate of \$300 per month.

Note: Defense Finance and Accounting Service will complete an audit of Petitioner's pay records to determine amounts due, if any.

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-entitled 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

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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.

5/21/2025

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