



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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Docket No. 7779-24

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From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER ██████████
XXX XX ██████/█████ USMC

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments
(2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting to addition of his assigned character of service on his Certificate of Release from Active Duty (DD Form 214). Enclosure (2) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 4 October 2024 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined 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 his naval service records, 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, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, it is in the interest of justice to review the application on its merits.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Marine Corps and commenced a period of active duty on 18 October 1994. On 17 February 1999, Petitioner was discharged upon the completion of his required active service. Petitioner was issued a DD Form 214 which erroneously does not indicate his character of service. Petitioner's record does not contain any evidence of aggravating factors. After his release from active duty, he was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve on 21 March 2002.

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CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes Petitioner's request for correction warrants relief. Specifically, the Board determined Petitioner's DD Form 214 erroneously fails to indicate his Honorable character of service.

As explained above, the Board noted there is no indication of any aggravating factors in Petitioner's record. Therefore, based on a presumption of administrative regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs, the Board determined Petitioner was discharged honorably at the completion of his required active service.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

That Petitioner be issued a "Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty" (DD Form 215), for the period ending 17 February 1999, to indicate he was discharged with an "Honorable" character of service.

No further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

A copy of this report of proceedings 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 Regulation, 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 reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

10/28/2024

