



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 7815-24
Ref: Signature Date

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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 13 February 2025. 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.

On 27 December 1968, you enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve for 6 years with an Expiration of Obligated Service of 26 December 1974. Furthermore, item 53 states that "I understand that upon enlistment in a Reserve component of any of the Armed Forces of the United States, or transfer or assignment thereto, In time duty for the duration that, upon enlistment in a Reserve component of any of the Armed Forces of the United States, or upon transfer or assignment thereto, in time of war or National emergency declared by Congress, or when otherwise authorized by law, I may be ordered to active duty for the duration of the war or National emergency and for six months thereafter, or such other period authorized by law."

On 3 January 1969, you entered active duty for 4 years with an End of Current Contract of 2 January 1973. In accordance with your Enlistment Contract-Armed Forces of the United States (DD Form 4), the following is listed, "Block 6 (Date of ENL/INDUC): 3 January 1969."

You were discharged with an honorable character of service and were issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214 MC) for the period of 3 January 1969 to 6 November 1969 due to accepting Commission in the Marine Corps Reserve.

On 19 July 1973, Commandant of the Marine Corps notified you via Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, Camp Pendleton, CA that “[y]our request for resignation, tendered by reference (a) [Your letter of 23 February 1973 and 15 June 1973], is accepted.”

“Effective 24:00 on 31 August 1973 you will be released from all active duty and assigned to inactive duty in the Marine Corps Reserve. You will be detached from your present station by your Commanding Officer.”

You were discharged with an honorable character of service and were issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214 MC) for the period of 7 November 1969 to 31 August 1973 due to resignation.

On 22 October 1974, Commandant of the Marine Corps notified you via Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Reserve Forces Administrative Activity that “[r]eference (a) [State of California Special Order #192 of 30 September 1974] indicates that you accepted an appointment in the California Air National Guard on 21 August 1974.

By direction of the President, your resignation from the Marine Corps Reserve Is accepted effective on 20 August 1974.”

You requested to change your date of entry on your DD Form 214 to list 27 December 1968, the Board in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, the Board concluded that 27 December 1968 is the date you enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve, and you entered active duty on 3 January 1969. The period of service from 27 December 1968 through 2 January 1969 was in an inactive duty status vice active duty, therefore a change to your record is not warranted.

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,

2/15/2025

