



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

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Docket No. 8054-24  
Ref: Signature Date

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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 application on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 18 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 the 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.

You enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 3 December 1985. After completing your first period of active duty on 7 September 1989, you were issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214). You immediately reenlisted on 8 September 1989 and served continuously until your retirement on 31 December 2005. At the time of your retirement, you received a second DD Form 214 that documented your second period of active duty in block 12.c. and your previous period of active service in block 12.d.

The Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in your case. These included, but were not limited to, your desire to change your Date Entered Active Duty (Item 12a) on your second DD Form 214.

After thorough review, the Board concluded these potentially mitigating factors were insufficient to warrant relief. Specifically, the Board determined that your Date Entered Active Duty is correct on your second DD Form 214. In making this finding, the Board considered you received a DD Form 214 covering your initial enlistment from 3 December 1985 to 7 September 1989. In addition, your second DD Form 214 accurately lists your second period of active duty and documents your first enlistment period. Further, the Board noted that, at the time of your

retirement, Navy regulations authorized the issuance of two separate DD Form 214s to cover a period of service. As a result, the Board did not find evidence of an error or injustice that warrants changing your DD Form 214. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

The Board thanks you for your Honorable and faithful service to this country.

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,

10/11/2024

