



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

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Docket No. 8977-24
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear ██████████,

This is in reference to your application for correction of spouse's naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your spouse's 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 4 March 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 spouse's naval record and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Navy Personnel Command letter 1900 PERS-312/SA of 7 October 2024, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to correct your spouse's rate to Boiler Technician Second Class (BT2). The Board, in its review of your spouse's entire record and your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1430.16C, frocking is an administrative authorization to assume the title and wear the uniform of a higher paygrade without entitlement to the pay and allowances of that grade. Additionally, frocking does not change the permanent status of a member nor authorize payment of entitlements governed by statute or regulation and is subject to restrictions as outlined in the instruction. Moreover, Navy Military Personnel Command Instruction 1900.1B directed that the rate and paygrade entered on the DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty reflect the rate/paygrade in which separated but does not include frocked paygrade.

