

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

> Docket No. 9467-24 Ref: Signature Date

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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 28 January 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.

The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You requested advancement to Aviation Ordnanceman Second Class (AO2)/E-5. 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 you did not meet the criteria for advancement in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1430.16G. Specifically, the policy indicates that candidates participating in the Navy Wide Advancement Examination (NWAE) will only receive points for awards approved or earned prior to the day of the regularly scheduled NWAE.

A review of your record reflects that you advanced to AO3/E-4 effective 16 April 2023. In September 2023, you participated in Cycle 260 NWAE and passed not advanced, followed by your participation in the March 2024 (Cycle 263) NWAE in which you passed not advanced. On 17 May 2024, you were awarded a Combat Action Ribbon (CAR) for the period of 1 April 2024 to 27 April 2024, and thereafter, released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve on 9 July 2024. Therefore, the Board determined that 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,