



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 9646-24

Ref: Signature date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF [REDACTED], USN,

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. §1552

(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149

(2) Case Summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) requesting his record be corrected to include his character of service on his Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214).
2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 4 December 2024 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include reference (b).
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. Although Petitioner's 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 the case on its merits.
 - b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 28 February 1963. On 27 February 1967, he was released from active duty and transferred to the Naval Reserve. At the time of his release, he was issued a DD Form 214 that failed to indicate his character of service.
 - c. Petitioner's record included a Record of Discharge, Release from Active Duty, or Death (NAVPERS 601-14) that indicated his character of separation as honorable.

2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 4 December 2024 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include reference (b).

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. Although Petitioner's 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 the case on its merits.

b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 28 February 1963. On 27 February 1967, he was released from active duty and transferred to the Naval Reserve. At the time of his release, he was issued a DD Form 214 that failed to indicate his character of service.

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CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes Petitioner's request warrants relief. Although not reflected on his DD Form 214, Petitioner's honorable characterization of service is reflected elsewhere in his record, specifically on the NAVPERS 601-14, which was created in conjunction with the DD Form 214.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

That Petitioner be issued a new DD Form 214, for the period ending 27 February 1967, indicating that his character of service was honorable.

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

That 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.

1/6/2025

