

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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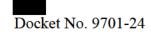


Dear ,

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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 14 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. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps memorandum of which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to receive a FY24 Zone C Primary Military Occupational Specialty 0629 Selective Retention Bonus (SRB), the Board in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that you submitted your reenlistment request prior to your 14-year mark, and you suspect that Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps approved the Reenlistment, Extension, and Lateral Move after your 14-year mark to save Marine Corps funds. However, the Board found that you were already in Zone D when you submitted your reenlistment request. Furthermore, you had already received a Zone C SRB in conjunction with your reenlistment on 9 March 2021. In accordance with MARADMIN 278/23, bonus payments are limited to one payment per zone, therefore even if your request was submitted and approved while you were still in Zone C, you would still not have been eligible to receive a second SRB in Zone C. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion and 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.

