



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

Docket No. 10285-24
Ref: Signature Date

Dear Petitioner:

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1552.

Your application was not filed in a timely manner. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 12 December 2024. The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. You request that your other than honorable characterization of service be changed to a medical retirement or a general characterization of service because, when you served, the disabilities that you had were not yet recognized as they are today. In reviewing your application, the Board observed that you did not provide a sufficient basis to excuse your failure to submit your application in a timely manner. The Board thus determined your request should be denied due to the length of time since the determination of the reason and basis of your discharge. In the absence of sufficient new evidence for reconsideration, the decision of the Board is final, and your only recourse would be to seek relief, at no cost to the Board, from a court of appropriate jurisdiction if you choose to seek a medical retirement.

Regarding your request to change your other than honorable characterization of service, the Board noted that you may request to this Board for a change to your characterization of service which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. 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,

12/20/2024