



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No. 10604-24  
Ref: Signature Date

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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.

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 11 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 naval record and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Commander, Navy Personnel Command memorandum 1900 PERS-312 of 18 November 2024, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to amend your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty to include deployments in support of ██████████ and ██████████  
██████████) while stationed onboard ██████████ and combat  
ribbons/medals awarded. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1900.8, deployments into the theater of operations is only entered in Block 18 of the DD Form 214 for Reserve members that are ordered to active duty in time of National emergency or war.

A review of your record reflects that you enlisted in the Naval Reserve on 3 December 1997 for 8-years, of which 4-years was an active duty obligation. On 23 July 1998, you entered active duty and upon completion of bootcamp and service schools, you were station onboard the ██████████  
██████████ from 2 May 1999 to 19 June 2002. Thereafter, on 22 July 2002

you were released from active duty and transferred to the Navy Reserve to complete your military service obligation. On 1 November 2003, you were discharged from the Navy Reserve for unsatisfactory participation.

The Board could not find, nor did you provide evidence of our deployments in support of ██████████ and/or ██████████ before your release from active duty on 22 July 2002. However, as an active duty service member, that information is not annotated on the DD Form 214 as indicated in the aforementioned policy. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

Regarding adding combat ribbons/medals awarded to your DD Form 214, the Board may only correct service records based on errors or injustices and may do so only after other avenues of administrative relief have been exhausted. For assistance with the aforementioned, you may contact My Navy Career Center (PERS-313) via phone at (833) 330-6622 or email: asknmcc@navy.mil.

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,

3/24/2025

