



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

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Docket No. 11368-24
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear █

This is in reference to your application for correction of your late husband's 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 5 February 2025. The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. In your application, you contend your late husband should have been medically retired as he suffered a severe fall aboard a naval ship and was eventually diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. You also contend that since he was exposed to Agent Orange and asbestos during his service, he warrants a medical retirement as the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) service connects lung disease and Parkinson's to this exposure. 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. Thus, the Board determined your request should be denied due to the length of time since the determination of the reason and basis of your late husband's discharge.

The Board noted that the VA would be the appropriate agency concerning service-connected claims for Veterans and recommends that you contact the VA to seek such compensation for claims regarding service-connected matters.

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.

Sincerely,

2/19/2025

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