



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 12116-24
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.

A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 18 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 (NPC) memorandum ██████████, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to add the time served as a Midshipman at the United States Naval Academy (USNA) and a Summer cruise in Vietnam waters to your Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) ending 31 July 1995. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. NPC has advised the Board that a DD Form 215, Correction of DD Form 214 was issued to include annotation of your time at the USNA. Questions regarding your corrected DD Form 214 can be addressed to MyNavy Career Center at 833-330-6622 or via email at askmncc.fct@navy.mil.

The Board concluded that you did not meet the criteria for your DD Form 214 to be updated to reflect completing a Summer Cruise in Vietnam waters. Specifically, Title 10 U.S.C. § 971 indicates "[t]he period of service under an enlistment or period of obligated service while performing service as a cadet or midshipman or serving as a midshipman in the Navy Reserve may not be counted in computing, for any purpose, the length of service an officer of an armed forces or an officer in the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service." In computing

length of service for any purpose, service as a cadet or midshipman may not be credited to any officer to include an officer of the Navy or Marine Corps. Furthermore, the Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1900.8 does not direct entering Summer Cruises on the DD Form 214.

A review of your record reflects that you attended the USNA from 30 June 1971 to 3 June 1975. Thereafter, you accepted an active duty commission on 4 June 1975. On 31 July 1995, you transferred to the Retired List with 20 years, 1-month and 27 days of active duty service. The Board concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion, and determined 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.

Sincerely,

4/8/2025

