

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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

> Docket No. 12290-24 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 20 March 2025. The Board determined your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. In your application, you requested receipt of your Good Conduct Medal/Ribbon. Further, your contention that "correct information and requirements were not offered nor given to [you] for retirement at 30% disability" implies you are also requesting medical retirement vice medical discharge. In reviewing your application, the Board, noting you were discharged in February 1992, observed 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 your honorable discharge, with severance pay, due to physical disability.

A review of your available records revealed that your request for the Good Conduct Medal has not been previously adjudicated by Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps Awards Branch (MMPB-32). As you have not exhausted your administrative remedies, you must first seek relief through MMPB-32 prior to appealing to this Board. Making a request to MMPB-32 will afford you the maximum opportunity to have your request considered for correction. Applying to MMPB-32 first allows you potentially two reviews, with an opportunity for a final review by this Board if MMPB-32 does not grant your request.

In the absence of sufficient new evidence for reconsideration, the decision of the Board regarding your request for a medical retirement is final, and your only recourse would be to seek relief, at no cost to the Board, from a court of appropriate jurisdiction.

Sincerely, 4/2/2025