

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

> Docket No. 12324-24 Ref: Signature Date

Dear Petitioner:

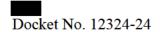
This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found 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 20 February 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.

The Board determined that a personal appearance with or without counsel will not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You previously applied to this Board to remove your 29 December 2023 Unit Punishment Book (UPB)/non-judicial punishment (NJP) and were denied on 22 October 2024.

The Board carefully considered your reconsideration request to remove your 29 December 2023 Unit Punishment Book (UPB)/non-judicial punishment (NJP). The Board considered your statement that you made a mistake by not looking into sleeping gummies before taking them. You went through the NJP process and had everything suspended for six-months. You also went through the administrative separation process and were placed on probation for a year, which will end in August 2025. You assert that you owned up to your mistakes and have done nothing but prove yourself day in and day out since getting in trouble. As new evidence, you provided correspondence from the Commanding Officer, and First Sergeant attesting to your conduct and recommending the removal of your NJP.



The Board, however, affirmed its previous determination that your NJP was conducted according to the Manual for Courts Martial (2019 ed.). While the Board considered the correspondence recommending favorable consideration based upon your performance, conduct, and completion of inpatient treatment, it determined that the mitigation evidence provided does not negate or invalidate the misconduct that formed the basis for your NJP. The Board thus concluded that there is no probable material error, substantive inaccuracy, or injustice warranting corrective action. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

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.

