



The Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in your case in accordance with the Wilkie Memo. These included, but were not limited to, your desire to change your reason for separation and your contentions that you contracted double pneumonia in bootcamp, you never had Asthma, no one in your family ever had Asthma, you showed normal lung function on a pulmonary test when you returned home, and you are prevented from joining the Navy Reserve as an officer due to your narrative reason for separation. For the purpose of clemency and equity consideration, the Board considered the entirety of your application including your enclosures.

After thorough review, the Board concluded your potentially mitigating factors were insufficient to warrant relief. Specifically, the Board determined that your reason for separation remains appropriate. The Board noted that your records indicate that you disclosed a family history of Asthma and a history of shortness of breath. Based on the information you provided, medical professionals diagnosed with a disqualifying pre-service medical condition – Asthma. Therefore, the Board was not persuaded by your contentions that you were misdiagnosed.

The Board observed that documentation you provided indicates that you are not medically prevented from commissioning as a Nurse in the Navy or Navy Reserve. The Board noted that you provided a medical report, dated 6 September 2002, indicating no evidence of Asthma. Additionally, a Navy Recruiting Command Letter, dated 25 August 2023, indicating you were physically qualified for Restricted Line and Staff Corps. Further, the Board noted that your separation program designator of █ accurately describes the circumstances of your involuntary discharge as erroneously enlisted due to failing to meet physical standards. Finally, the Board noted that your reentry code of “RE-3F” indicates you did not complete bootcamp and require Marine Corps Headquarters approval for reenlistment. The Board also found this to be an accurate and appropriate description of your reentry status.

Therefore, while the Board carefully considered the evidence you submitted in mitigation, even in light of the Wilkie Memo and reviewing the record holistically, the Board did not find evidence of an error or injustice that warrants granting you the relief you requested or granting relief as a matter of clemency or equity. 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.

Sincerely,

3/31/2025

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