



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 54-25
Ref: Signature Date

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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.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 25 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 carefully considered your request for promotion to Major (Maj/O-4). The Board considered your statement that after rejoining the Selected Marine Corps Reserve in Spring 2024, you were informed that you failed to complete the minimum requirements to maintain your status in the Individual Ready Reserve and was dropped to the Inactive Status List (ISL). You were informed the warning letter was mailed to an address where you no longer lived at the time of mailing. In early 2020, you claim you were a full-time student where your classes, studies, and group projects comprised a time commitment in excess of 60 hours per week. Simultaneously, you were recruiting for full-time employment during the start of COVID-19. During COVID-19, your wife became pregnant and you had to move cross-country for employment upon graduation from business school.

The Board determined that promotion to Maj is not warranted and you were properly dropped to the ISL due to your failure to earn a minimum of 27 retirement credit points to be retained in an active status. In this regard, the Board noted that you were dropped to the ISL on 10 July 2021 and your Career Retirement Credit Report indicates your last satisfactory year for participation ended on 10 May 2020. According to the Marine Corps Reserve Administrative Management

Manual (MCRAMM), Reserve Marines in the ISL are not eligible to participate, receive pay or retirement credit, are not eligible for promotion consideration, and are not accountable for purposes of end strength or controlled grades. The Board also determined the accuracy of your record was your responsibility. According to the MCRAMM, it is the responsibility of the member to update personal data whenever changes occurred; this includes a change to the address.

The Board considered your statement regarding your classes and search for employment. However, the Board found no evidence that you submitted a request to waive the minimum officer participation requirements and you provided none. The Board thus concluded 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.

Sincerely,

3/13/2025

