

Dear

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

> Docket No. 158-25 Ref: Signature Date

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 3 July 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 Recruiting Command memorandum 1133 Ser N35 of 5 March 2025 and your response to the opinion.

You requested to establish entitlement to \$10,000 Enlistment Bonus for High School (EBHS). The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that in accordance with Commander, Navy Recruiting Command message 302322Z April 2024, you did not meet the criteria for an EBHS. Specifically, the message states that any school year 24 high school senior scheduled to ship in May 2024 through July 2024 for a Reserve Component Training and Administration of Reserve rating was authorized EBHS. However, EBHS was not authorized for future Active Component Sailors. Additionally, future Sailors were required to have an Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT) score greater than or equal to 31 to be eligible for EBHS.

A review of your record indicates that you enlisted in the Active Component on 17 May 2024 while a senior in high school, initially had an AFQT score of 18 and originally was scheduled to ship on 12 August 2024, thereby rendering you ineligible for EBHS. You entered active duty on 26 August 2024 and on 27 September 2024 signed NAVCRUIT 1133/52, Enlistment Guarantees – Annex "B" that listed Machinist Mate (MM/5YO) Class "A" School Guarantee (T+X) and



Enlistment Bonus for Armed Forces Qualification Test (EBAFQT) - \$2,000 Bonus. You also signed NAVCRUIT 1133/102, Enlisted Bonus Statement of Understanding acknowledging your eligibility for the EBAFQT. Payment for EBAFQT is made upon successful completion of Recruit Training Command based on the number of points your AFQT score increased. The record indicates your AFQT score increased to 35 and on 4 December 2024, your EBAFQT was processed for payment. Therefore, in this connection, the Board substantially 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.

