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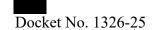
This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found 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 22 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 Personnel Command memorandum 1830 PERS-836/033 of 28 March 2025, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You were released from active duty and transferred to Naval Reserve with an honorable character of service and were issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214N) for the period of 23 June 1969 to 2 March 1973 upon completion of required active service.

You were discharged with an honorable character of service and were issued an Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge (DD Form 214N) for the period of 6 February 1975 to 18 January 1977 for immediate reenlistment. Furthermore, block 26 (non-pay periods/time lost) listed 38 days of time lost.

You were discharged with an honorable character of service and were issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 19 January 1977 to 3 January 1983 within three months of expiration of enlistment. Furthermore, block 29 (Dates of time lost this period) listed the following periods of lost time: 2 March 1977 to 7 March 1977,



17 May 1978 to 27 May 1978, 31 May 1978 to 19 July 1978, and 12 August 1979 to 8 August 1979.

You were discharged for the period of 4 January 1983 to 3 July 1986 for immediate reenlistment.

You were transferred to Fleet Reserve with an honorable character of service and were issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 4 July 1986 to 31 July 1991 for transfer to Fleet Reserve.

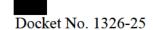
In accordance with DoD 7000.14-R FMR Volume 7B, Chapter 1, 3.0 Service Creditable for Retirement Eligibility. 3.1 Creditable Service and Service Reduction for Retirement Eligibility. 3.1.1. Computation of Creditable Service for Determining Retirement Eligibility. A computation of creditable service for determining retirement eligibility may be required at any time during a member's military career. Generally, a member must complete at least 20 years of creditable service in order to qualify for retired, or retainer pay. Upon completion of 20 years of creditable service, a member may request to be transferred to a retired or retainer status.

- 3.1.5. Service Creditable for Retirement Eligibility. Service creditable for the purpose of determining retirement eligibility varies with each type of retirement. For retirement types and the specific service creditable for each type, see paragraphs 3.2 through 3.8. See paragraph 3.9 for service that is not creditable. 3.2 Service Creditable for Regular Voluntary Retirement Enlisted Members (Table 1-1). The following is service creditable for Regular voluntary retirement for enlisted members: 3.2.1. All active service in the Uniformed Services; and 3.2.2. Service as a cadet or midshipman at Service academy.
- 3.9 Service Not Creditable for Determining Retirement Eligibility. 3.9.1. Enlisted Member's Lost Time. The following periods of absence from duty during a term of enlistment are not creditable to an enlisted member unless they are made up by the member upon return to full duty so as to complete the term for which the member was enlisted. The periods of absence from duty are... 3.9.1.2. Absence from organization, station, or duty for more than 1 day without proper authority, as determined by competent authority...

On 28 March 2025, Navy Personnel Command issued a Statement of Service listing the following information: Total Active Service: 20 years, 0 months, and 26 days. Total Inactive Service: 2 years, 0 months, and 10 days. Total Retirement Creditable: 20 years, 0 months, and 26 days.

Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) HUNT system shows your service entry date is 16 May 1969, your retirement date is 1 October 1999 and Pay Entry Base Date is 8 September 1969. Service base pay is 21 years, 10 months, and 23 days, service percent multiplier is 20 years, 0 months, and 10 days, and Total Active Service is 0 years, 0 months, and 0 days.

On 23 July 2025, Branch Head (PERS-836), Active Duty Enlisted Retirements/Fleet Reserve notified the Board that they would request that DFAS update your retirement from 20 years and 10 days to 20 years and 26 days.



You requested your retirement to show 22 years and 5 weeks vice 20 years and 10 days and receive back pay, the Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that you served from 23 June 1969 to 31 July 1991, which is 22 years and 5 weeks. In accordance with the Financial Management Regulation (DODFMR), Volume 7B, Chapter 1, service creditable for Regular voluntary retirement for enlisted members is all active service in the Uniformed Services and Service as a cadet or midshipman at Service academy. The Board concluded that in accordance with your Statement of Service, you are credited with 20 years and 26 days of active service. You are also credited with 2 years and 10 days of inactive service, which is not creditable service for retirement. Furthermore, the adjustment of your active duty service date was a result of your inactive duty combined with lost time, which is also not creditable for retirement. The Board was informed by PERS-836 that DFAS will be notified of the change to your years of active service from 20 years and 10 days to 20 years and 26 days. The Board determined that no further changes to your record are warranted. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion.

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.

