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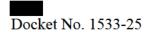
Dear ,

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 (NPC) letter 5740 PERS-91 of 27 February 2025, which was previously provided to you for comment.

The Board determined that your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would 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 requested to add 40 correspondence points and two qualifying years toward non-regular retirement. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. However, the Board concluded that in accordance with Bureau of Naval Personnel Instruction 1001.39F, NPC (PERS-9) may restrict or limit correspondence course credit. The non-resident training should be of such military value that the instruction received would enhance the professional development and broaden the skills of the Navy Reserve member either by: Qualifications for duties to which the member may be expected to be assigned upon mobilization; or Qualifications to supervise Navy personnel who perform work related to the training. Additionally, the NPC – Reserve Personnel Management website does not require a common access card to obtain information. Specifically, the Courses



& Reserve Retirement Points page provides a link to the course listing and directs members of the IRR to contact NPC (PERS-912) for questions pertaining to eligibility to complete any of the courses.

A review of your record shows that you were issued Notification of Eligibility (NOE) to Receive Retired Pay at Age 60 and Participate in the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP) on 30 September 2005. On 1 December 2008, you transfer to the IRR, followed by your transfer to the Retired Reserve without pay effective 1 June 2015. On 12 April 2023, you were issued a Statement of Service (SOS) reflecting 28 qualifying years of service and 7,351 retirement points and thereafter transferred to the Retired Reserve with pay effective 9 October 2023. Subsequently, you submitted proof of correspondence course completion and NPC (PERS-912) was able to credit you with an additional 12 correspondence course points. On 2 October 2024, you were issued an updated SOS reflecting 7,363 points.

The Board noted that you provided an unofficial listing of correspondence course that you declared to have completed, however you did not provide the Board with certificates to corroborate completion. Moreover, the Board was uncertain that the correspondence courses you listed meet the aforementioned criteria for a Captain Naval Aviator to receive correspondence course credit. Therefore, in this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned 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.

