

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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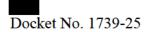
Dear ,

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 11 June 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, as well as the 17 January 2025 decision furnished by the Marine Corps Performance Evaluation Review Board (PERB), and the 16 October 2024 advisory opinion (AO) provided to the PERB by the Manpower Management Division Records and Performance Branch. The AO was provided to you on 17 January 2025, and you were given 30 days in which to submit a response. Although you were afforded an opportunity to submit a rebuttal, you did not do so.

The Board carefully considered your request to remove your fitness report for the reporting period 1 January 2023 to 2 April 2023. The Board considered your contention that the fitness report should have been observed because the reporting period totaled 95 days. You claim the fitness report is affecting your opportunity for promotion and creates an unnecessary amount of non-observed time.

The Board, however, substantially concurred with the PERB's decision that you did not demonstrate probable material error, substantive inaccuracy, or injustice warranting removal of your fitness report. The Board determined that your fitness report is valid as written and filed in accordance with the applicable Marine Corps Performance Evaluation System (PES) Manual. In this regard, the Board noted that your reporting officials concluded that the reporting period did not allow for sufficient observation and provided the required comments in compliance with the PES Manual. The Board also determined that there is no advantage to converting a not observed



report into an administrative filler. Moreover, the effect of the fitness report on your opportunity for promotion is conjecture and not supported by any evidence. 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.

