



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 1778-25
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

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USN, █

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. §1552
(b) USECDEF Memo of 25 Jul 18 (Wilkie Memo)

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 with attachments
(2) Case summary

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board), requesting an upgrade to his "General (Under Honorable Conditions)" characterization of service on his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214). Enclosures (1) and (2) applies.

2. The Board consisting of █ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 2 June 2025 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of his naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies including reference (b).

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, the statute of limitation was waived in accordance with the Kurta Memo.

b. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 16 August 1985. Prior to commencing active duty, Petitioner admitted preservice use of a controlled substance-marijuana and preservice arrest and charges. On 30 August 1986, Petitioner was evaluated by a medical officer as a result of sleepwalking. Consequently, Petitioner was diagnosed with Complaints of Sleepwalking, and Adjustment Disorder with Anxious and Depressed Mood secondary to Somnambulism. On 4 February 1987, Petitioner was involved in a traffic accident which resulted in him been diagnosed with Head Trauma, Multiple Scalp Lacerations, and

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Alcohol Intoxication. On 10 April 1987, Petitioner was arrested by civil authorities and charged with trespassing. Consequently, Petitioner was sentenced to six months of good behavior. On 22 August 1988, a medical officer recommended that Petitioner be expeditiously separated from the Navy due to his previous diagnosis of sleepwalking disorder. On 1 September 1988, Petitioner was notified of the initiation of administrative separation proceedings by reason of convenience of the government due to Somnambulism; at which point, he decided to waive his procedural rights. On 6 September 1988, Petitioner was discharged with a General (Under Honorable Conditions) characterization of service by reason of other physical condition, not a disability.

d. Petitioner contends he was caught sleepwalking while onboard the [REDACTED]. Petitioner claims he went through a vigorous process to stay in the Navy although at that time they tried to discharge him. Petitioner states one-year later, he was a thriving repair on scene leader, flying squad on the scene leader, and responsible for the ship fitters' shop having E-5 and E-6 reporting to him. His last evaluation was 4.0. Petitioner claims he was caught sleepwalking again in the summer of 1988 while they were in [REDACTED]. Petitioner asserts he served his country for more than three years and there are many that received Honorable discharges with a two to three year agreements. He states this is what he wants and no more. Petitioner claims he did not realize that his DD Form 214 only had "General" on it for discharge type until a couple years ago and it got him thinking of all the good things he did during his time in service.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants relief. Specifically, in light of reference (b), after reviewing the record holistically, given the totality of the circumstances, and purely as a matter of clemency, the Board concluded Petitioner's discharge characterization should be upgraded to "Honorable." In making this finding, the Board considered Petitioner's overall trait average and personal behavior marks.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, the Board directs the following corrective action:

Petitioner be issued a new Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214), for the period ending 6 September 1988, indicating he was discharged with an "Honorable" character of service, narrative reason for separation of "Secretarial Authority," separation authority of "MILPERSMAN 1910-164," separation code of "JFF," and reentry code as "RE-1J."

That Petitioner be issued an Honorable discharge certificate.

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

A copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

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4. It is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)), and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

6/23/2025

