



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 2153-25
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear Petitioner:

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.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 21 May 2025. The names and votes of the panel members 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 the 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, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.

You enlisted in the U.S. Navy and began a period of active duty on 28 March 1975. On 27 March 1981, you were discharge with an Honorable characterization of service at the expiration of your enlistment.

The Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in your case. These included, but were not limited to, your desire for the Battle "E" award to be awarded to you and contention that part of the reason the ██████████ won the award was the readiness of your squadron's jets; which you were responsible for fixing the avionics and fire control systems. For purposes of clemency and equity consideration, the Board considered the evidence you provided in support of your application.

After thorough review, the Board concluded these potentially mitigating factors were insufficient to warrant relief. Specifically, the Board concurred with the National Personnel Records Center letter to you that no record has been found to show that you are authorized the Battle "E" award. The Board noted that Navy personnel permanently attached to and serving with cited ships and units during the competitive cycle for which the award was given are entitled to the award. However, embarked personnel, staffs, squadrons, or detachments are not eligible. Therefore, the

Board found that there is no evidence of material error or injustice with your record. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

The Board thanks you for your faithful and selfless service to this country.

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.

Sincerely,

6/2/2025

