



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

[REDACTED]
Docket No. 3630-25
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear [REDACTED],

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 16 September 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 Navy Personnel Command (NPC) memorandum 1070 PERS-312/SA of 21 May 2025 and your response to the opinion.

You requested to correct your DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty to reflect advancement to Boatswain's Mate Third Class (BM3)/E-4 and separation date of 5 February 1992. 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 Navy Military Personnel Command Instruction 1900.1B directed that the rate and paygrade entered on the DD Form 214 reflect the rate/paygrade in which separated but does not include frocked paygrade.

A review of your record indicates that your advancement to BM3/E-4 was in the Reserves and was effective on 16 February 1992, which was after your 5 February 1992 release from active duty. The Board noted that a DD Form 214 is only issued for active duty service, thus your grade of BMSN/E-3 reflects the proper grade at the time your DD Form 214 was issued. Therefore, correction to your active duty DD Form 214 is not warranted.

NPC has advised the Board that a DD Form 215, Correction of DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty was issued to correct your separation date to 5 February 1992. Questions regarding receiving a copy of the DD Form 215 can be addressed to the MyNavy Career Center at 833-330-6622 or via email at askmncc.fct@navy.mil.

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,

9/29/2025

