



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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Docket No. 4703-25

Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF FORMER MEMBER █, USNR, XXX-XX-█

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 of her characterization of service to Honorable. Enclosures (1) and (2) apply.
2. The Board, consisting of █, █, and █, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 1 December 2025 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined 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 her naval service records, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies, to include 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. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.
 - b. Although enclosure (1) was not filed in a timely manner, the statute of limitation was waived in the interests of justice.
 - c. The Petitioner enlisted in the U.S. Navy Reserve on 30 September 1989.
 - d. On 3 November 1990, Petitioner reported to medical for a chronic longstanding Mitral Valve Prolapse (MVP) evaluation.
 - e. 12 December 1990, Petitioner's command submitted a request to determine her fitness to remain on duty in the Naval Reserve.

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f. On 8 January 1991, the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery determined that Petitioner did not meet the established physical standards for retention in the Naval Reserve due to symptomatic MVP prolapse and that a waiver of the physical standards was not recommended.

g. On 3 February 1991, Petitioner submitted a request for discharge due to not being physically qualified.

h. On 23 February 1991, Petitioner was discharged with an Other Than Honorable (OTH) characterization of service by reason of unsatisfactory progress on the physical readiness program.

i. Petitioner contends that there is correspondence within her Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) that supports her claim that her discharge should have been characterized as Honorable. Additionally, she contends that her heart condition prevented her from meeting the physical readiness standards required for completion.

j. For purposes of clemency and equity consideration, Petitioner provided documents from her OMPF.

CONCLUSION:

Upon careful review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants full relief.

The Board determined Petitioner was not discharged in error and found insufficient evidence to overcome the presumption of regularity with her basis for separation. However, it found no basis for the assignment of an OTH characterization of service based on the lack of any misconduct in her record and her listed reason for separation. Therefore, the Board determined an error exists with her assigned characterization of service and her record should be changed to reflect she was discharged with an Honorable characterization of service.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Petitioner be issued a new Navpers 1070/613 indicating, for the period ending 23 February 1991, her character of service was "Honorable."

Petitioner will be issued an Honorable Discharge Certificate.

No further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

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

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.

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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 Regulation, 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.

1/5/2026

