



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 4872-25
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO FORMER MEMBER
[REDACTED] USMC

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments
(2) Subject's naval record

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 that his naval record be corrected to reflect promotion to Corporal (Cpl) on DD Form 214, Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge ending 22 September 1958.
2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 23 September 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 Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.
3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, found that, before applying to this Board, he exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board made the following findings:
 - a. On 21 April 1955, Petitioner entered active duty.
 - b. On 19 September 1958, Petitioner promoted to Cpl effective 1 September 1958.
 - c. On 22 September 1958, Petitioner was released from active duty and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve. Petitioner issued a DD Form 214 with paygrade annotated as Private First Class (PFC).
 - d. On 22 September 1961, Petitioner was discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. Petitioner's official military personnel file reflects he promoted to Cpl prior to his release from active duty. The Board surmised that the issuance of Petitioner's promotion warrant within days of his separation may have caused the administrative oversight with capturing the correct rank of Cpl on his DD Form 214. Therefore, the Board determined that under this circumstance, relief is warranted.

RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner's DD Form 214, Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge ending 22 September 1958 is modified to reflect, Block 3a (Grade, Rate or Rank) "Cpl" vice "Pfc" and Block 3b (Date of Rank) "1 Sep 1958" vice "1 May 1956."

Note: Navy Personnel Command will issue a DD Form 215 or a new DD Form 214 whichever one they deem appropriate.

A copy of this report of proceedings will 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 titled 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 the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

11/17/2025

