



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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Docket No. 5032-25  
Ref: Signature Date

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

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO ██████████, USN RET,  
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Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552  
(b) Title 38 U.S.C. § 3319  
(c) BUPERSNOTE 1780, 7 Apr 10  
(d) NAVADMIN 236/18, 24 Sep 18

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 show Petitioner transferred Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits to his eligible dependent son.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████ reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 15 January 2026 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. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice finds as follows:

a. On 10 July 1997, Petitioner enlisted for 8 years with an Expiration of Obligated Service of 9 July 2005.

b. Petitioner released from active duty and transferred to the Naval Reserve with an honorable character of service and was issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 9 July 1998 to 8 July 2002 completion of required active service.

c. On 9 July 2005, Petitioner was honorably discharged.

d. The Benefits for Education Administrative Services Tool (BEAST) Education Summary reflects that Petitioner used 10 months of education benefits; last payment was 24 May 2007.

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e. On 28 September 2007, Petitioner reenlisted for 6 years with an End of Active Obligated Service (EAOS) of 27 September 2013.

f. In accordance with reference (b), authority to transfer unused education benefits to family members. Eligible Individuals. An individual referred to in subsection (a) is any member of the Armed Forces who, at the time of the approval of the individual's request to transfer entitlement to educational assistance under this section, has completed at least—(1) six years of service in the armed forces and enters into an agreement to serve at least four more years as a member of the Armed Forces; or (2) the years of service as determined in regulations pursuant to section (k).

g. On 3 December 2010, Petitioner got married ([REDACTED]) and gained a stepchild ([REDACTED]) with a date of birth of [REDACTED].

h. Petitioner was released from active duty with an Honorable character of service and was issued a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) for the period of 5 November 2009 to 2 September 2012 completion of required active service. Furthermore, block 18 (Remarks) listed the following: "...MBR recalled to active duty in support of Operation Enduring Freedom per Presidential Executive Order 13223 and USC 12302..."

i. On 5 November 2012, Petitioner reenlisted for 4 years with an EAOS of 4 November 2016.

j. On [REDACTED], Petitioner's dependent child ([REDACTED]) was born.

k. In accordance with reference (c), transfer of Post-9/11 GI Bill Entitlement. To promote recruitment and retention of members of the Armed Forces, the Secretary of Defense and SECNAV have agreed to allow eligible individuals to transfer a portion or all of their unused Post-9/11 GI Bill entitlement to their spouse and or children. Before a member can apply to transfer entitlement, the spouse and or children must be enrolled in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment System and be eligible for identification. Identification card benefits. For children, this means the child has not reached age 21 or has not reached age 23 and is enrolled full time at an IHL. Eligible Individuals. Any member in the Armed Forces on or after 1 August 2009, who is eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill and who, at the time of approval of the individual's request to transfer his or her unused Post-9/11 GI Bill entitlement: (1) Has served at least 6 years (active duty and or Selected Reserve (SELRES)), and agrees to serve at least additional continuous 4 years in the Armed Forces from the date the individual elects to transfer; or (2) Has served at least 10 years (active duty and or SELRES on the date of election and either standard policy (Navy or DoD or statute does not allow the member to commit to 4 additional continuous years, but who agrees to serve the maximum amount of time allowed by such policy or statute. (2) Ensure the required, additional Armed Forces service obligation (see paragraphs 13a(1) and (2)) is reflected in the electronic service record (ESR) prior to making election to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill entitlement. Applications from members whose ESR does not reflect the required additional service obligation will be disapproved. The members will then be required to reapply for transferability and their additional service obligation will be calculated from the date their reapplication is approved. Approvals cannot be backdated to the original submission date. (a) Enlisted Members: Consult with command career counselor to ensure EAOS is sufficient to meet the required additional service obligation and or discuss obligated service options. Enlisted members will have 30 days to submit their Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) request following a 4-year reenlistment. Short term extensions will not be authorized for the purpose of Post-9/11 transferability... (c) SELRES Officers and Enlisted: All SELRES members are required

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to have a NAVPERS 1070/613 Administrative Remarks page agreeing to serve the required additional years of service prepared by their command in the Navy Standard Integrated Personnel System (NSIPS) ESR. See paragraph 13b(2) (d) below for required statement for NAVPERS 1070/613. The NAVPERS 1070/613 shall be signed by the member, witnessed, and dated.

l. On 10 December 2015, Petitioner reenlisted for 6 years with an EAOS of 9 December 2021.

m. In accordance with reference (d), announced changes to the processes in OPNAVINST 1780.4 and BUPERSNOTE 1780 for submitting a Post-9/11 GI Bill TEB request. This new policy does not apply to: a. Sailors who already have an approved TEB request in Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) milConnect. b. Sailors who wish to add a dependent to an already approved TEB request or modify the months of benefits allocated to dependents. Updated TEB process effective 1 October 2018: a. An online, self-service Statement of Understanding (SOU) replaces the Administrative Remarks (NAVPERS 1070-613) (i.e., Page 13) pre-requisite for all SELRES Sailors and all officers in references (a) and (b). b. This SOU must be completed by all Sailors prior to submitting a TEB application. c. Sailors may access SOU via MyNavyPortal or by using a Common Access Card via the My Education web site at <https://myeducation.netc.navy.mil/webta/home>. d. Upon completion of the SOU, Sailors will receive a link to DMDC milConnect portal to submit their TEB application. e. To ensure prompt feedback on TEB applications, Sailors should verify email information when completing the SOU.

n. On 8 April 2019, Petitioner submitted TEB application with less than 4-years remaining on contract and failed to complete required Statement of Understanding. The Service rejected the applications on 9 April 2019, indicating, "Disapproved – SM [Service Member] has not committed to the required additional service time."

o. On 1 December 2021, Petitioner reenlisted for 4 years with an EAOS of 30 November 2025.

p. On 9 February 2022, NSIPS/ESR shows a 1-month agreement to extend enlistment with a Soft EAOS of 31 December 2025.

q. On 27 March 2025, Commander, Naval Special Warfare Development Group notified To Whom It May Concern that "[i]t is certified that [REDACTED] is currently assigned to Naval [REDACTED]. It is further certified that the service member is on Active Duty, currently serving honorably and deployed in support of overseas contingency operations from October 2015 to March 2016, April 2016, February 2017 to July 2017. December 2018 to February 2019, and May 2019."

r. On 31 December 2025, Petitioner transferred to the Fleet 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. The Board concluded that Petitioner met the basic eligibility criteria to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits but failed to complete the administrative requirements outlined in references (c) and (d). Although Petitioner did not complete the appropriate administrative requirements, the Board surmised that had he received adequate counseling, he would have been able to TEB at the time of his 1 December 2021 reenlistment and

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complete the 4-year obligation before transferring to the Fleet Reserve, thereby meeting the spirit and intent of reference (b). Therefore, the Board determined that under these circumstances, relief is warranted.

#### RECOMMENDATION

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

Petitioner, in coordination with his command completed the required Statement of Understanding on 1 December 2021 and submitted it to Commander, Navy Personnel Command for inclusion in the Petitioner's Official Military Personnel File.

Petitioner elected to transfer unused education benefits to [REDACTED] 36 months, through the MilConnect TEB portal on 1 December 2021.

Commander, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-311) reviewed Petitioner's TEB application, and it was approved on 1 December 2021 with a 4-year service obligation.

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.

1/23/2026

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