



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
701 S. COURTHOUSE RD
ARLINGTON, VA 22204

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Docket No. 6052-25
Ref: Signature Date

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Dear █,

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 17 February 2026. 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 Commanding Officer, Navy Pay and Personnel Support Center memorandum 7220 N1 of 24 June 2025, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested the Board to review an erroneous debt on your account. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. The Board concluded that you incurred a debt due to overpayment of Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) for the period of August 2022 to October 2024. You assert that, "I was TAD to the ship (█) and I guess my admin never turned my sea pay off which caused a BAS debt...I don't understand how I have a BAS debt. I was told by my CPPA that I was entitled to BAS at the time." However, in accordance with DoD 7000.14-R FMR, mandatory pay account collection may be required while on sea duty. Sea duty is defined as "Service performed in a self-propelled vessel with berthing and messing facilities that is in an active status, in commission, or in service. This term applies to members who are either permanent party or aboard for TAD/TDY. All members on sea duty, not a member of an authorized private mess, will be charged for all meals made available whether eaten or not, subject to approved missed meals." The Board agreed that meal deductions should have been processed from August 2022 through October 2024, therefore your debt is valid. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

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,

2/23/2026

