



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

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Docket No. 6923-25
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 23 April 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 Branch Head, Community Management Support Branch memorandum 1160 Ser B12/67 of 23 March 2026 and your response to the advisory opinion.

The Board determined your personal appearance, with or without counsel, would not materially add to their understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the Board determined a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.

You requested a change to the Separation Program Designator (SPD) code on your separation documents to allow for the receipt of the remaining selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) installments associated with your 8 March 2019 reenlistment. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, including your assertions. However, the Board concluded that you reenlisted for four years on 8 March 2019 and received a Zone B SRB. At that time, your end of active obligated service (EAOS) was 4 December 2020; therefore, you would not begin to earn the initial SRB payment until 5 December 2020. In October 2019, you were awarded Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) N59X, indicating your nuclear NEC was inactivated due to a medical evaluation. Consequently, your SRB payments were suspended pending the results of that evaluation. On 27 January 2022, you were transferred to the Temporary Disability Retired List (TDRL). Your Certificate of Release

or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) lists your separation code as SFK (Mandatory transfer to temporary disability retired list required by law due to temporary physical disability - Recoup Bonus: T (Past payments stand and further payments are halted)). Although the Board noted documentation within your record showing your disability was incurred in a combat zone, the Board determined that your DD Form 214 accurately reflects your status at separation. The type of separation, separation code, and narrative reason for separation all appropriately reflect your transfer to the TDRL. Additionally, the Board identified very few SPD codes that allow a member to retain past SRB payments with unpaid installments made in a lump sum. The few listed for disabilities incurred in a combat zone are described as “[s]ervice initiated discharges resulting from physical disability incurred in a combat zone or as a direct result of armed conflict with combat related severance pay and entitlement-retirement not authorized.” The Board thus concluded that there is no probable material error, substantive inaccuracy, or injustice warranting corrective action. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

In the absence of sufficient new evidence for reconsideration, the decision of the Board is final, and your only recourse would be to seek relief, at no cost to the Board, from a court of appropriate jurisdiction.

Sincerely, _____

5/7/2026

