



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 6961-25
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 15 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.

The Board carefully considered your request to remove the 6105 counseling entry dated 7 June 2024 because it is in error and its presence in your record is unjust. Specifically, you contend nonjudicial punishment (NJP) was not imposed and there is no corresponding unit punishment book entry. Further you contend "[s]ervice was not NJP'd" and there is no record of the military protective order (MPO) that the counseling entry mentions. Lastly, you contend the counseling entry should be removed because "it poses negative impacts on [your] career and future progression" and punishes you "for something for which the investigating officer [(IO)] stated [he] did not find evidence" to support. In support of your contentions, you submitted email correspondence reflecting the MPO was never processed in the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database. You also submitted the associated command investigation dated 5 July 2023 and the Relief for Cause documentation.

The Board, however, determined the counseling entry of 7 June 2024 is an administrative remarks entry that creates a permanent record of matters your Commanding Officer (CO) deemed significant enough to document. Further, the Board determined the CO has wide discretion regarding the subject matter of a counseling entry, and it is within his discretionary authority to determine if/when a counseling entry is warranted. The Board had difficulty understanding your contention that "[s]ervice was not NJP'd" but noted imposition of NJP was

not a requirement for issuing the counseling entry. Further, the Board considered the email regarding the MPO not being processed by NCIC but concluded that does not invalidate the MPO. Lastly, regarding your contention the counseling entry is punishment for something the IO found no evidence of, the Board looked to the adverse fitness report for the reporting period that included the issuance of the counseling entry. In your statement, you admitted to reaching out to the Marine involved even knowing that “[d]oing so was a violation of the MPO against [you]” and stated you “fully accept the consequences that have come from that MPO violation, and remain committed to pushing forward in [your] profession as a leader and United States Marine.” Based on the available evidence, the Board concluded there was insufficient evidence of an error or injustice to warrant removal of the counseling entry.

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,

5/19/2026

