



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

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Docket No. 8591-25
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.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your case on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 16 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 Navy Personnel Command memorandum ██████████ and your response to the opinion.

You requested corrections to your DD Form 214N to reflect Aviation Machinist's Mate (AD) vice Aviation Ordnanceman (AO). The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that you need this change so you can resubmit your claim for bilateral hearing loss to the VA. Additionally, you stated that you never touched ordinance, were always in the ██████████ shop, and have hearing loss from working around running aircraft. However, the Board concluded that you were assigned primary code AO 6800. While you claim to have worked around running aircraft which resulted in hearing loss, the Board could not find, nor did you provide evidence of being assigned the AD rate. Therefore, the Board determined a change to your record is not warranted. In this connection, the board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion. The Board noted that the letter you received from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) denying your claim for bilateral hearing loss was denied because you did not currently meet the criteria listed for hearing loss for VA purposes. Furthermore, the letter details favorable findings in your case, which include that a qualifying event, injury, or loss had

its onset during your service and that your DD Form 214 shows your Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) as Ordinance Mechanics. In other words, your claim does not appear to be denied due to your MOS.

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

