



You requested that 10 months of service be added to your total military service time, which would subsequently give you a total service time of 20 years, 10 months, and 12 days; the Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You also assert that the DD Form 4 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document) states that the period of time in the Delayed Entry Program (DEP) counts toward fulfillment of your military 20-year service. However, the Board disagreed with your assertion. Your DD Form 4, that you signed on 29 July 1993 states, “[m]y enlistment in the DEP is a nonpaid status. I understand my period of time in the DEP is NOT creditable for pay purposes upon entry into a pay status. However, I also understand that this time is counted toward fulfillment of my military service obligation or commitment.” In other words, time served in the DEP counts as service towards your military service obligation, which is the original 8-year obligation outlined on the DD Form 4. Therefore, the Board determined that a change to your record is not warranted. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the aforementioned advisory opinion.

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,

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