



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 3075-26
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF ██████████, USN,
XXX-XX-██████████

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/ enclosures

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) requesting correction of his middle name in his discharge record. Enclosure (1) applies.

2. The Board, consisting of ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 20 March 2026 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of Petitioner's application together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, applicable statutes, regulations, and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy. Although Petitioner's 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 the case on its merits.

b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 21 February 1957. In his application for enlistment, his middle name was identified as ██████████s." However, he signed his application for enlistment with the middle names of "██████████." In Petitioner's enlistment contract, statement of understanding, and orders to active duty, his middle name was identified as "██████████"

c. During his active duty service, Petitioner's middle name was identified in various forms, to include: ██████████. At the time of his discharge on 1 February 1960, his middle name was identified as "██████████" in block 1 of his Certificate of Discharge or Release from Active Duty (DD Form 214).

d. Petitioner contends that his correct middle name is "██████████s" as identified in his birth certificate, driver's license, U.S. passport, medical records, and initial application for enlistment.

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CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concluded that Petitioner's request warrants relief.

The Board noted that, despite the inconsistent use of various forms of his middle name during his active duty service, Petitioner identified his middle name as [REDACTED] at the time he applied to enlist and submitted multiple, legitimate official state and federal identification documents which confirm that his correct middle name is, in fact, [REDACTED]. The Board noted that such errors may prove prejudicial to former service members seeking entitlement to veteran benefits and, therefore, warrants correction. Accordingly, the Board determined that it is in the interest of justice to grant the requested relief.

In view of the foregoing, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner be issued a Correction to Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 215), for the period ending on 1 February 1960, to reflect the following change to the Block 1 "Last Name - First Name - Middle Name" section:

[REDACTED]"

That no further changes be made to Petitioner's record.

A copy of this report of proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. It is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulation, Section 723.6(e)), and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

4/8/2026

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