



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 3269-02
14 August 2002

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10 of the United States Code section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 13 August 2002. 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, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Your Career Retirement Credit Report (CRCR) shows that you first entered the Marine Corps Reserve on 30 September 1982, and that at the end of your anniversary year on 29 September 2002, you will have completed 19 qualifying years of service for reserve retirement. The CRCR shows that in the anniversary year ending 29 September 1987, you were only credited with 15 membership points. This is the only nonqualifying year in your Marine Corps career.

You contend in your application that after graduation from Officer Candidate School that Marine Corps reservists were not allowed to rejoin their units because they had to graduate from college and be commissioned before they were allowed to earn retirement points. You state that this policy has since changed, and you request that sufficient points be moved into the anniversary year ending 29 September 1987 to make that year qualifying for retirement.

The Board noted that on 29 September 2002 you will complete 19 years of qualifying service and only need to earn 50 points and complete the next anniversary year in order to be qualified for

reserve retirement at age 60. There does not appear to be anything, such as a mandatory discharge, that would prevent you from serving that year. Since you have been treated no differently than many others who were kept from earning a qualifying year at that time, and you can continue to earn qualifying years, the Board concluded that a correction to your record is not warranted.

Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director