DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY



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Docket No.NR06947-13

2 December 2013

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records

To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj:

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments

(2) Survivor Benefit Plan Program Manager Casualty Assistance (PERS-13) memo of 30 Sep 2013

(3) Subject's naval record

- 1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a) Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting, in effect, that the applicable naval record be corrected to show that Petitioner enrolled his current spouse in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) within one year of their marriage.
- 2. The Board, consisting of Messrs. Pfeiffer, Zsalman, and Exnicios, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 22 November 2013 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, naval records, and 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.
- b. In correspondence attached as enclosure (2), the office having cognizance over the subject matter addressed in Petitioner's application has commented to the effect that the request has merit and warrants favorable action.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of enclosure (2), the Board finds

the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, as follows:

a. Petitioner enrolled his spouse in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) under "spouse" category of coverage, at the full base amount, within one year of their marriage on 8 April 2010.

NOTE: Since Petitioner was not married at the time of his retirement on 30 June 1998, and did not have any eligible dependents, he was erroneously enrolled. Therefore, Petitioner is authorized a reimbursement of SBP premiums paid from July 1998 to the date of his marriage on 8 April 2010, when he elected SBP "spouse" category of coverage at full base amount.

- b. That a copy of this Report of Proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(c)) it is certified that 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.

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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 Regulations, 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.

2 December 2013

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director