



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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BAN
Docket No. NR03898-14
30 October 2014

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

Subj: [REDACTED]

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) of 10 Sept 2014

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 he declined Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) spousal coverage at the time of his retirement on 29 October 2010.

2. The Board, consisting of Messrs. Ruskin, Exnicios and Midboe reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 28 October 2014 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:

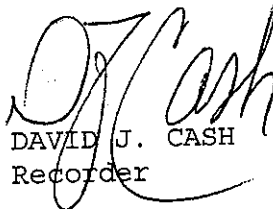
That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, as follows:

a. Prior to Petitioner's retirement date of 29 October 2010, he declined SBP "spouse" category of coverage, with spousal concurrence.

Note: Petitioner is entitled to all back pay for any SBP premiums he has already paid.


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.

30 October 2014


ROBERT J. O'NEILL
Executive Director