



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: NR8902-14

8 January 2015

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Dear Master Sergeant [REDACTED]

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.

You requested that the fitness report for 1 August 2012 to 30 June 2013 be modified, in accordance with the reporting senior's (RS's) letter dated 8 August 2014, by changing the mark in section E.1 ("Courage") from "H" (not observed) to "D" (fourth best of seven possible marks) and raising the marks in sections E.2 ("Effectiveness Under Stress"), E.3 ("Initiative"), F.4 ("Ensuring Well-being of Subordinates"), F.5 ("Communication Skills"), G.2 ("Decision Making Ability") and G.5 ("Judgment") from "D" to "E" (third best). You also requested removing from the Marine Corps Total Force System the entry showing you were assigned to and removed from the Body Composition Program.

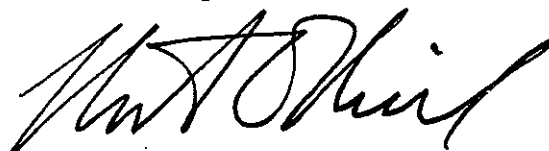
A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 8 January 2015. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. 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. In addition, the Board considered the report of the Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) Performance Evaluation Review Board (PERB), dated 23 September 2014, and the advisory opinion from HQMC dated 16 October 2014, copies of which are attached.

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. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the report of the PERB and the advisory opinion. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

Although the Board voted not to modify the fitness report in question, you may submit the RS's letter to future selection boards.

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 evidence within one year from the date of the Board's decision. New evidence is evidence not previously considered by the Board prior to making its decision in this case. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. J. O'Neill", written in a cursive style.

ROBERT J. O'NEILL
Executive Director

Enclosure