DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

JSR
Docket No: NR9159-14
19 March 2015

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Dear [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.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 19 March 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 reports of the Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) Performance Evaluation Review Board (PERB), dated 1 August 2014 and 23 January 2015, and the advisory opinions from HQMC dated 7 July and 18 December 2014, copies of which are attached. The Board also considered your letters dated 12 September 2014 with enclosures, 9 January 2015 with enclosure (Freedom of Information Act reply dated 6 October 2014 with redacted copy of the command investigation dated 1 August 2013) and 6 March 2015 with enclosures.

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 reports of the PERB and the advisory opinions. The Board did recognize there was no evidence that you were personally involved in any hazing incidents. In view of the above, 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 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,

ROBERT J. O'NEILL
Executive Director

Enclosure