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BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS (BCNR)

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References	(a) 10 U.S.C. 1552
	(b) SECNAVINST 5420.193

1. **Purpose**. The Board for Corrections of Naval Records (BCNR) was established per reference (a) to provide a method for correction of error or removal of injustice from naval records without the necessity for private legislation. BCNR is not a part of Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM). It is a separate shore activity under the direction and supervision of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs (ASN(M&RA)). Upon presentation of satisfactory evidence by the member concerned, the BCNR may recommend to Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) that the record be changed.

2. **Who may Submit Applications**. BCNR applications may be submitted by

- a. the petitioner,
- b. the petitioner's heir, or
- c. the petitioner's legal representative.

3. Application Requirements

a. Applications for review to the BCNR may be submitted, per reference (b), only after having exhausted all available administrative remedies afforded by law, unless waived by BCNR. b. Additionally, prior to petitioning the BCNR regarding a **discharge**, the case must be reviewed, and a "no change" decision is made, by the Naval Discharge Review Board (NDRB). (See MILPERSMAN 1000-160 regarding final discharges that NDRB does not review.)

c. Applicants or applications must

(1) be submitted within 3 years after the claimant discovers the error or injustice. Petitions submitted later than 3 years after the petitioner discovers the error or injustice may be considered if BCNR finds it to be in the interest of justice. Petitions submitted late should include an explanation for late submission and why consideration of the late submission is in the interest of justice.

(2) identify the specific error or injustice.

(3) contain sufficient information to permit the BCNR to determine whether relief is warranted.

(4) include any other relevant information (i.e., corroborating evidence such as affidavits or other written statements from individuals with personal knowledge of the relevant facts and specific reasons, if any, why expeditious processing is warranted).

Note regarding selection boards: If the petition is to be considered and resolved prior to the convening of a selection board, the petition should be received by BCNR at least 4 months before the selection board convenes.

4. Where to Obtain an Application

a. Applications must be submitted on DD 149 (Rev. 5-05), Application for Correction of Military Record Under the Provisions of 10 U.S.C. 1552.

b. Applications and general information can be obtained from

(1) Naval Legal Service Offices (NAVLEGSVCOFFs),

(2) Personnel Support Activity Detachments
(PERSUPP DETs),

CH-14, 2 Feb 2006 Page 3 of 3 (3) Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), or by writing to: Board for Correction of Naval Records Department of the Navy 2 Navy Annex

Washington, DC 20370-5100

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