



THE MASTER CHIEF PETTY OFFICER OF THE NAVY
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20370

9 September 1974

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RMCS (SS) Burt M. WATKINS, USN

Dear Senior Chief Watkins,

Your letter regarding the enlisted evaluation (NAVPERS 1616/8 dated 9 May 1974) you received, was referred to me from Admiral E.R. ZUMWALT, USN, (Ret.) with the request that I look into the situation for you.

While I can certainly understand your concern in this matter and can appreciate the fact that you desire an early disposition of your case, the Board of Correction of Naval Records (BCNR) remains the only avenue open to naval personnel to alter their military record.

I do sympathize with you that the many requests received by the Board each year, make the process a slow one. However, the Board is under the cognizance and supervision of the Secretary of the Navy, and I can assure you that your case will be completely and fairly judged.

I regret that my reply is not more favorable; however, I hope you understand the necessity for utilizing the resources of the BCNR which ensures equitable treatment for all Navy members, both active and retired.

I encourage you to utilize the enclosed forms, with applicable instructions, to petition the Board for Correction of Naval Records.

Should I be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


J. D. WHITTET

Blind copy to:
ADM ZUMWALT, USN (RET.)

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