

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

December 14, 2015

Dear Governor Haley:

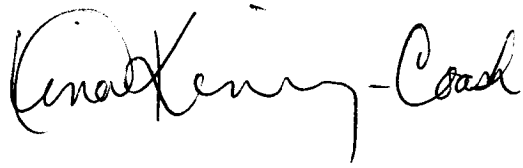
I am writing you in reference to my husband, USMC Sgt, William Joseph Coash (344-72-6452). My husband completed 8 years with the USMC on July 14, 2013. At the time of his separation, we believed it was best for him to end his service for medical reasons. It was never explained to us that he should "Medically Retire" from the USMC. We believed his medical conditions would prevent him from re-enlistment. Since his separation, he has been rated 100% disabled from the VA. He has also been deemed disabled by the Social Security Administration

After speaking with the USO, we were advised your office may be able to help change his discharge to "Medically Retired." I whole heartedly believe my husband has earned the status of medical retirement from the USMC. Please know, had his body allowed it, he would have been a career Marine.

Please also know, during his tenure with the USMC, my husband completed 4 deployments and earned the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citation, Naval Unit Citation, two Good Conduct Medals, Sea Service Deployment Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

I am respectfully requesting your assistance in changing his discharge to medical retirement so he may enjoy the rights, responsibilities, and benefits of such status.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina Kinney-Coash". The signature is written in a cursive style, with the first name "Tina" and last name "Kinney" connected, and "Coash" written separately after a hyphen.

Tina Kinney – Coash

4749 Lysa Avenue

North Charleston, SC 29405

843.637.5507

Encl. DD214 for William J. Coash

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

This Report Contains Information Subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, As Amended.

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| 1. NAME (Last, First, Middle) COASH, WILLIAM JOSEPH | | 2. DEPARTMENT, COMPONENT AND BRANCH USMC-11 | | 3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 344 72 6452 | |
| 4a. GRADE, RATE OR RANK SGT | b. PAY GRADE E-4 | 5. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD) 1983032 | 6. RESERVE OBLIGATION TERMINATION DATE (YYYYMMDD) 00000000 | | |
| 7a. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE DUTY ST LOUIS, MO 63103 | | b. HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF ENTRY (City and state, or complete address if known) 632 EAST 1930 N RD, EDINBURG, IL 62531 | | | |
| 8a. LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND MWSS-273, MAG-31, BEAUFORT, SC | | | b. STATION WHERE SEPARATED MCAS, BEAUFORT, SC 29904 (RUC 00273) | | |
| 9. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED N/A | | | 10. SGLI COVERAGE <input type="checkbox"/> NONE AMOUNT: \$ 400,000 | | |
| 11. PRIMARY SPECIALTY (List number, title and years and months in specialty. List additional specialty numbers and titles involving periods of one or more years.) 3531, MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR, 07 YEARS 05 MONTHS 3534, SEMI TRAILER REFUELER OPERATOR, 02 YEARS, 04 MONTHS | | 12. RECORD OF SERVICE | | | |
| | | a. DATE ENTERED AD THIS PERIOD 2005 07 18 | | | |
| | | b. SEPARATION DATE THIS PERIOD 2013 07 14 | | | |
| | | c. NET ACTIVE SERVICE THIS PERIOD 07 11 27 | | | |
| | | d. TOTAL PRIOR ACTIVE SERVICE 00 00 00 | | | |
| | | e. TOTAL PRIOR INACTIVE SERVICE 00 00 00 | | | |
| | | f. FOREIGN SERVICE 01 10 13 | | | |
| | | g. SEA SERVICE 00 00 00 | | | |
| | | h. INITIAL ENTRY TRAINING 00 04 12 | | | |
| 13. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED (All periods of service) PURPLE HEART, COMBAT ACTION RIBBON (IRAQ), NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION(2), NAVY MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION, MARINE CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL (2), NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL (W/I STAR), IRAQ CAMPAIGN MEDAL (W/I STAR), GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL. | | 14. MILITARY EDUCATION (Course title, number of weeks, and month and year completed) SEMITRAILER REFUELER OPERATOR (C09), 03/2011 MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR (35X), 12/2006 | | | |
| 15a. COMMISSIONED THROUGH SERVICE ACADEMY | | | | YES | X NO |
| b. COMMISSIONED THROUGH ROTC SCHOLARSHIP (10 USC Sec. 2107b) | | | | YES | X NO |
| c. ENLISTED UNDER LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM (10 USC Chap. 109) (If yes, years of commitment: _____) | | | | YES | X NO |
| 16. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID 22.5 | 17. MEMBER WAS PROVIDED COMPLETE DENTAL EXAMINATION AND ALL APPROPRIATE DENTAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO SEPARATION | | | | YES X NO |
| 18. REMARKS BLOCK 13 CONT. LETTER OF APPRECIATION(2), MERITORIOUS MAST, EXPERT RIFLE QUALIFICATION BADGE (003), ITEM NO. 18 CONT. GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL PERIOD COMMENCES 20110708. MEMBER CONTRIBUTED \$1200.00 TOWARDS THE MGB. MEMBER PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, 20070309-20070916. MEMBER PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ/KUWAIT, 2009124-20091211. MEMBER PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, 20120324-20120908. SER: 45184-2013-0002 The information contained here in is subject to computer matching within the Department of Defense or with any other affected Federal or non-Federal agency for verification purposes and to determine eligibility for, and/or continued compliance with, the requirements of a Federal benefit program. | | | | | |
| 19a. MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION (Include ZIP Code) 634 E N RD, EDINBURG, IL 62531 | | b. NEAREST RELATIVE (Name and address. Include Zip Code) EARL AMOS (FATHER), 634 E N 1930 N RD, EDINBURG, IL 62531 | | | |
| 20. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 6 BE SENT TO (Specify state/locality) IL | | OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS | | X YES | NO |
| a. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 3 BE SENT TO THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (WASHINGTON, DC) | | | | X YES | NO |
| 21a. MEMBER SIGNATURE William Joseph Coash | b. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130628 | 22a. OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN (Typed name, grade, title, signature) G. N. OROZCO, CW02, PERSONNEL OFFICER | | b. DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20130628 | |

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| SPECIAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For use by authorized agencies only) | | |
| 23. TYPE OF SEPARATION DISCHARGED | | 24. CHARACTER OF SERVICE (Include upgrades) HONORABLE |
| 25. SEPARATION AUTHORITY MARCORSEPMAN 1005 | 26. SEPARATION CODE KBI | 27. REENTRY CODE RE-1A |
| 28. NARRATIVE REASON FOR SEPARATION COMPLETION OF REQUIRED ACTIVE SERVICE | | |
| 29. DATES OF TIME LOST DURING THIS PERIOD (YYYYMMDD) NONE | | 30. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 4 (Initials) WJC |