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# Cicilline, Speier Applaud Pentagon Reform to Expedite Name Changes on Transgender Veterans' Discharge Records

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*WASHINGTON, DC* – Today, Congressman David N. Cicilline (D-RI), Chair of the Equality Caucus, and Congresswoman Jackie Speier (D-CA), Chair of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Military Personnel, applauded the implementation of an expedited process for updating discharge papers for transgender and other veterans who have a name-change court order.

“This update, which will make name changes on military discharge paperwork easier, is an important step forward for improving the lives of our transgender veterans. Transgender veterans have served our country with pride and dignity and yet they would have to wait, for sometimes over a year, to update their name and access their veteran benefits,” Chair Cicilline said. “I am thankful to Rep. Jackie Speier for making this request and making it easier for transgender veterans to get the benefits they deserve.”

“The Department of Defense’s newly streamlined and expedited name-change process for our transgender veterans, as well as other veterans who need discharge paperwork that reflects a new name, is a victory for our veterans and the military services. In this digital age, there was no rational reason for a recently discharged veteran to have to wait up to 10 months or more for a simple administrative correction,” Chair Speier said. “Without the correct name on discharge documents, veterans often suffer significant harms, from demoralization to employment discrimination. Our transgender servicemembers

have served their country honorably. They deserve to be treated with respect as veterans.”

#### New Name Change Process:

The new process is only for court-ordered name changes – other requests for corrections to the DD-214 must still undergo the full process of the service’s board for corrections of military records.

All requests for an updated DD-214 must include a copy of a valid court order. Veterans should submit their request to their respective military service:

#### Army

##### *Email*

[usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.tagd-ask-hrc@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.tagd-ask-hrc@army.mil).

##### *Postal Mail*

Commander, U.S. Army Human Resource Command  
Human Resources Service Center (AHRC-PDR-V)  
1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Department 420  
Fort Knox, KY 40122-5402

#### Navy

The Navy specifically requests the following information to be included with requests for an updated DD-214: the full name, rank, and rate; Social Security Number; periods of service; and current mailing address.

##### *If you were discharged since 1995*

Navy Personnel Command  
PERS 312  
5720 Integrity Drive  
Millington, TN 38055-3120

##### *If you were discharged prior to 1995*

National Personnel Records Center  
1 Archives Drive  
St Louis, MO 63138

## Marine Corps

*Email (the Marine Corps prefers email submissions)*

SMB.MANPOWER.MMRP-10@USMC.MIL

## *Postal Mail*

Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps (MMRP-10)

2008 Elliot Road

Quantico, VA 22134

Point of Contact number: 1-800-268-3710.

## Air Force and Space Force

Continue to submit requests to the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records. Name change requests supported by a court order are not subject to full board review.

Website for Air Force Board of Correction of Military Records

<https://afrba-portal.cce.af.mil/#application-submission-bcmr>.

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