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The Honorable Rebecca Sherrill
U.S. House of Representatives
1427 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Sherrill:

I am writing to notify you that the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) released in error your Official Military Personnel Folder to an unauthorized requester.

In June, 2025 the National Personnel Records Center received a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from an individual named Nicholas De Gregorio who requested "all publicly releasable information" from the Official Military Personnel Folder documenting your service in the Department of the Navy. In responding to this request, we should have provided only information that is releasable to the public under the FOIA. Unfortunately, however, in responding to the request, we released the comprehensive record, including personal information such as your social security number and date of birth.

While breaches of this type do occur, they are exceedingly rare because the National Archives takes seriously its responsibility to safeguard the records it is entrusted to hold along with the extensive personal information contained therein. We will hold our staff accountable for failing to follow proper administrative procedures with regard to the release of your records. Additionally, we will review our policies and procedures to add additional controls to prevent a similar occurrence in the future and provide additional training to staff to re-enforce our commitment to safeguarding the personal information of our nation's veterans.

We have already reached out to the requester, Nicholas De Gregorio, and asked that he not further disseminate the information that was released to him in error.

We will also reach out to the Department of the Navy, the legal custodian of the record, to ensure its awareness and involvement in the response to this breach.

Although there is no indication that the request was related to identity theft, at a minimum we would like to offer you free credit monitoring services. If you would like to pursue this, please contact me at [REDACTED]. Additionally, you are welcome to contact my colleague Grace McCaffrey, who oversees Congressional Affairs for the agency. She is located at the National Archives in Washington, DC and can be reached at [REDACTED].

On behalf of the National Archives, I sincerely apologize for the inconvenience and aggravation this situation may cause you and for our failure to safeguard your military record from unauthorized release.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott A. Levins". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Scott" being more prominent.

SCOTT A. LEVINS
Director