Retention in a Retired Status Fact Sheet

The following information is provided to assist you in your transition from active duty to retention on active duty in a retired status.

Members in this status are required to maintain Navy physical readiness standards and participate in all Physical Fitness Assessments (PFAs).

Although you are being retained on active duty, you must still retire. The following administrative items must be accomplished:

-Preparation and submission of a DD2656 for the Survivor Benefit Plan (SPB) must be submitted prior to your official retirement date. Your personnel office or the supporting Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) can assist you in preparing this form. No action will be taken by the Defense Finance Accounting Service, Cleveland (DFAS FAX number to submit this form is 1-800-469-6559), until you are actually released from active duty.

You must complete all requirements of the Transition Assistance Program and attend Transition GPS class prior to retirement date.

VA Claim should be started within 6 months of your actual separation date.

-Per BUPERINST 1900.8 series officers retired and continued on active duty in a retired status will not be issued a DD214 until the actual date of separation from active duty.

-Per BUPERSINST 1610.10 series officers retired and continued on active duty in a retired status are not issued FITREPS.

Officers who retire and are immediately retained on active duty are not entitled to sell leave upon their retirement. You may sell leave when you are released from active duty. (DODFMR Vol 7A CH 35 Table 35-2). You will earn full pay and allowances while on active duty and that time will be credited toward your retired pay percentage.

Retired pay computation: To assist you in understanding the differences in the way your retired pay will be computed when you are released from active duty, the following information is provided:

- Retained less than 24 months: If the Navy receives a pay raise during the time you are on active duty, you will receive it as long as you are on active duty. When you are released, your retired pay will be computed based on the base pay scale that was in effect on your official retirement date.

- Retained more than 24 months: If the Navy receives a pay raise during the time you are on active duty, you will receive it as long as you are on active duty. When released, retired pay will be computed using the rates of base pay replaced by those in effect upon release from active duty. (i.e. If released from active duty on July 2008 and a new rate of pay went into effect 1 Jan 08, retired pay will be computed using the base pay amounts for 2007.)

By statute, retired officers on active duty are not eligible for promotion.