



**DRB DIGEST/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
DRB DOCKET 2013-031**

NAME	SN
CURRENT DD-214	Under Honorable Conditions, COMDTINST M1000.4, ART 1.B.17, JKK, Misconduct, RE4
RELIEF REQUESTED	Honorable
RELIEF GRANTED BY DRB	None
ADMIN CORRECTIONS	None

TIS	3 yrs, 3 months, 16 days
Policy Implications	None

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The applicant was discharged for Misconduct due to Involvement with Drugs.

The applicant was directed to provide a urine sample while at "A" school. The applicant deliberately tampered with the sample by masking it with water. Per procedure, the sample was sent to FT. Meade to test the validity of the sample. The lab results showed the sample was not within the normal range of a urine sample. An invalid sample was considered to be a masked or intentionally altered sample in order to avoid a positive drug result. Additionally, the applicant admitted to these actions out of frustration.

In accordance with the CG Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program (COMDTINST M1000.10), the testing policies and procedures were handled correctly by the Urinalysis coordinator and observer. The urinalysis ledger, testing procedure checklist and designation letters were verified for accuracy. The chain of custody with the applicant's specimen was executed flawlessly.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case.

The applicant was notified of the intent to discharge. The applicant was advised of the rights to an attorney and to make a statement, but declined both options.

Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than a General, Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy. The Coast Guard has zero tolerance for drug abuse. The General, Under Honorable Conditions discharge is equitable.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant For Human Resources: No relief.