

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

TRG Docket

Docket No: 4451-01

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10 of the United States Code section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 2 April 2002. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

You reenlisted in the Navy on 26 January 2000 at age 24. At that time you had completed over three years of active service in the Navy and about 14 months of service in the National Guard.

In March 2001 you were referred for a psychiatric evaluation after you expressed a desire to kill yourself. The psychiatrist diagnosed you as having a borderline personality disorder with dependent traits and recommended expeditious administrative separation because you were a risk to harm yourself or others in the future.

The documentation to support discharge processing is not filed in your service record. However, the record shows that you were honorably discharged on 7 March 2001 by reason of the diagnosed personality disorder. At that time you were not recommended for reenlistment and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

Regulations allow for the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code when an individual is discharged by reason of a diagnosed personality disorder and such a code is normally assigned when there is a finding that an individual is at risk to harm herself

or others. Since you have been treated no differently than others in your situation, the Board could not find an error or injustice in the assignment of the RE-4 reenlistment code.

Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director